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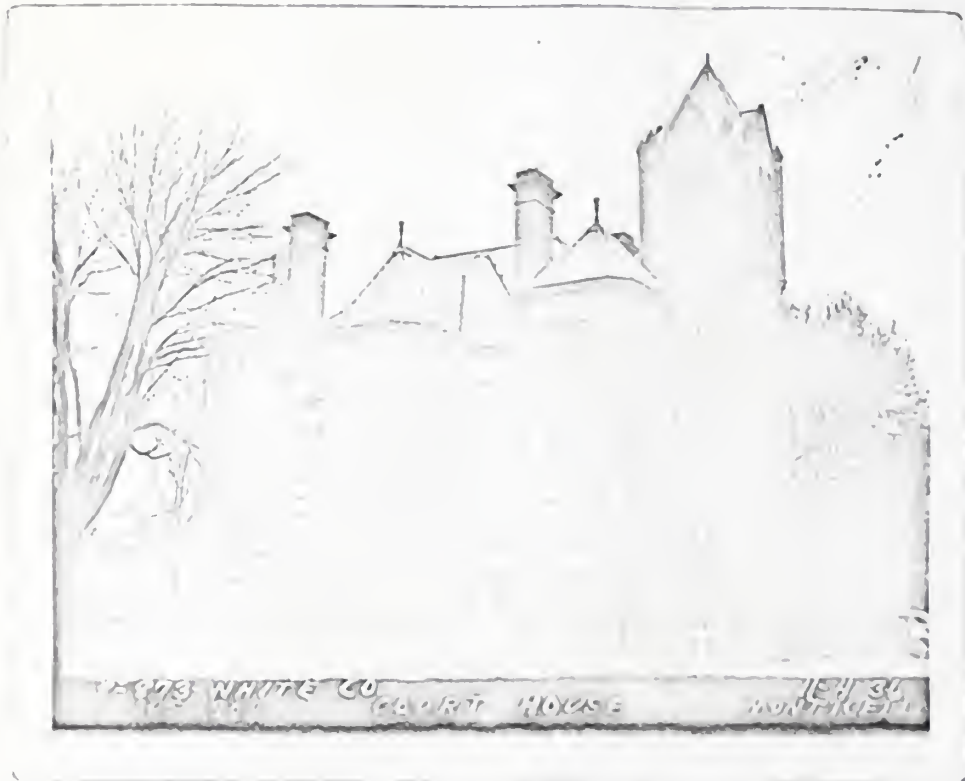
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PREFACE

This inventory of White County records constitutes a part of a general guide to the county archives of Indiana. It has been prepared by the Historical Records Survey of this state, operating as a separate project under the Works Progress Administration.

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The survey of state and local historical records in Indiana was instituted on February 19, 1936, as part of a nation-wide undertaking under the supervision of Dr. Luther H. Evans. Samuel J. Kagan, state archivist of the Indiana History and Archives Division of the State Library was assigned to lead the project as State Director. In the beginning the Survey was closely associated with the Writers' Project. On September 23, 1936, the Historical Records Survey was nominally as well as factually made independent of the Writers' Project. In general, it has from its very inception acted as a separate and independent unit of Federal Project No. 1.

The aim and purpose of the survey of county records in Indiana have been to furnish the officials of the local, state, and national governments, students of history, lawyers, and genealogists, and the general citizenry interested in the county records, with a convenient tool for use in consulting them. It is the object of the Survey to make the valuable source materials that are to be found in the Indiana courthouses and other public buildings, available and more accessible to those who may be in need of them.

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It is our hope that the information contained in this inventory will arouse greater interest in state and local historical records and will encourage officials to continue the improvement of methods for the preservation and safekeeping of these records.

The field work of the survey of White County was begun on June 15, 1936, under the district supervision of J.L. Taylor, of Lafayette, later succeeded by Canis E. Brockway. The field workers were Clarence Wilson, of Brighthurst, and Elmer Largen, William Denton, and Roy Hicks, all of Flora. It was completed on July 15, 1936. Many visits, however, have since been made to the county courthouse to check and recheck the information contained herein, the final recheck having been made in July 1937.

There are ninety-two counties in Indiana. When the survey of county archives is completed a separate volume is to be devoted to each county inventory in the state. White County is No. 91.

The inventory proper is preceded by a number of introductory sections to enlighten the reader concerning facts and events forming the background and basis of the records. The entries for the record series are carried in consecutive numbering for the county. The bureaus are arranged in functional order: Governing boards; major administrative offices; judicial offices; and financial, educational, health, engineering, and other groups.

Wherever applicable, natural groupings under separate headings are made within the bureau, and the entries are arranged thereunder also according to their functional sequence. A full and extensive index following the inventory will help the reader

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locate records with a minimum of inconvenience and effort.

The editing of this inventory had been conducted by an editorial staff of some forty men and women, whose labors we deeply appreciate and wish to recognize forthwith, captained by Harry A. Rider, editor; John R. Milligan in charge of accession and classifying; Louise Nation in charge of checking; Canis E. Brockway in charge of condensing; Julius Salman, legal adviser; and Howard G. Underwood, historical research editor.

The original survey was made in the field under the direction of the State Director and carefully checked and compiled in the form of this inventory in the State Office. Of the industrious and painstaking devotion to his task of each and every person who had a part in the Survey we are keenly aware, and we regret that we cannot commend by name the services of all who have contributed to the publication of this volume.

The Survey is indebted to county officials; to the State Works Progress Administration; to Kenneth E. Lancet, Acting Director of Women's and Professional Projects, who has rendered the Survey a great personal service in the administering of the project; and to Dr. Christopher B. Coleman, who has taken personal initiative and interest in behalf of the Survey in giving technical advice to the project.

S. J. Kagan, State Director

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A guide to county and township records in Indiana has long been needed by both local officials and the general public. The Works Progress Administration project called the Historical Records Survey is the first attempt to supply this need. Few more useful fields of employment could have been found than the survey of local and state historical records, even though the work inevitably presented unusual difficulties. The completion of the survey of historical records in Indiana is a source of genuine satisfaction.

We are indebted first of all to the Works Progress Administration for providing for the survey and financing it. The National Director of the project, Dr. Luther H. Evans, assured a fruitful product of the work by ably outlining it and drafting the forms to be used by the field workers so as to insure the greatest completeness with the least likelihood of errors. He and his assistants have done all that was possible for this nation-wide survey. Samuel J. Kagan, State Director of Indiana, deserves great credit for his energy and ability in organizing the office and field forces which have carried out the project. To assemble and organize more than one hundred and fifty persons in a new line of work in which there were few local precedents, and complete a survey of the county records in all the ninety-two counties, including the townships, at first, seemed almost impossible of accomplishment within a year. It has, however, been accomplished.

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An advisory committee has helped guide work upon the project; though no meetings were held, its members in many instances were a great help. A word of appreciation must be recorded here for the county officers who courteously gave the representatives of the survey access to the records in their offices and cooperated in the making of the survey. Especially is the state indebted to those officers who made possible the photographing of old records for preservation in a central depository.

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PART A. WHITE COUNTY AND ITS RECORDS SYSTEM

1. HISTORICAL SKETCH

White County, situated in the northwest part of the state, is bounded on the east by Cass and Carroll Counties, on the south by Carroll and Tippecanoe Counties, on the west by Benton and Jasper Counties, and on the north by Jasper and Pulaski Counties. It has an area of 507 square miles.

The topography of White County is comparatively level, with rolling land in the eastern portion of the county and flat prairies predominating in the southwest. Bluffs a few hundred feet in height are found along the Tippecanoe River, which flows from north to south and marks the eastern boundary of the county for several miles. The surface is watered by the Tippecanoe and its tributaries: Big and Little Monon, Honey, Big, Spring, and Moore's Creeks.

A brief picture of the relationship of Indiana to the history of the United States as a whole begins with the landing of the English at Jamestown in 1607. The next year the French founded Quebec, and began a series of explorations to the west and south that eventually carried La Salle to the mouth of the Mississippi River. On April 9, 1682, he claimed the entire river valley - the American Middle West - in the name of France, and called it Louisiana in honor of his King. In Indiana, French trading posts had been established on the present sites of Fort

Wayno, Lafayette, and Vincennes by 1733. The English were pushing into the Ohio Valley, and a struggle between the two nations over the valuable fur trade culminated in the French and Indian War. By the Treaty of Paris, February 10, 1763, Louisiana was ceded to Great Britain. Shortly after the outbreak of the American Revolution, General George Rogers Clark captured the British posts at Kaskaskia and Vincennes, and Louisiana came under a third flag, that of Virginia. In 1794, this vast empire was ceded to the United States, and three years later the Ordinance establishing Northwest Territory was passed by Congress. Knox County, which included all of Indiana and parts of Ohio, Michigan, Illinois, and Wisconsin was organized in 1790. In 1800, a territorial status was granted Indiana, and in 1816 full statehood was obtained and Indiana was admitted into the Union.

The area within the limits of White County was claimed at different times not only by France, England, Virginia, and the United States, but also by the Potawatomi Indians who occupied the territory before the white settlers came in. After the Battle of Tippecanoe (1811) there were two Potawatomi villages located in the county: one, on the west bank of the Tippecanoe River about a half-mile north of Monticello, and the other on the east bank of the river about seven miles north of Monticello, at a place afterwards known as Holmes' Ford. This village was the larger of the two, and when the white men came into the county in the early '30s some 300 Potawatomi Indians

were living in about 100 wigwams, and cultivating several acres of adjoining land. In a series of treaties with the Indians - October 2-6, 1818; October 23, 1826; and October 20, 1832 - the United States Government purchased the territory included within White County, and thus made it possible for white settlers to acquire a valid title to the land on which they settled.

The first white settler within the limits of White County was Joseph H. Thompson, who located in the present Big Creek Township in the Spring of 1829. Others to settle in the same neighborhood shortly after were George A. Spencer, Benjamin Reynolds, John Burns, and John Ferguson. Prairie Township was settled about the same time by Royal Hazleton, John and Cyrus Barr, William Woods, John and James Gay, and others. Union Township was settled sometime previous to 1834 by James Johnson, John Wilson, Peter Price, George R. Bartley, and others. Most of the early settlers were from Ohio and Pennsylvania; others were from the south: Kentucky, Tennessee, and Virginia.

White County was formed by an act of the General Assembly approved February 1, 1834, effective April 1, 1834, out of territory previously attached to Carroll County. The legal boundaries were defined as follows: "Beginning at the north-west corner of Tippecanoe County, thence running east with the north line of Tippecanoe county to the south western corner of Carroll county, thence north with the west line of Carroll county, to the north west corner of the same, thence east with the north line of Carroll county to the west line of Cass

county, thence north with the west line of Cass county to the north west corner of the same, thence west to the centre section line of range six west, thence south to the north west corner of Tippecanoe county to the place of beginning." (1)

On February 17, 1838, a strip of territory was added to the northern boundary of the county, (2) and an act of February 14, 1839, changed the boundary between "hite and Carroll Counties. (3) Thirty square miles of the northwest corner of White County were attached to Jasper County by an act of February 10, 1841. (4)

The first officials to govern the newly formed county were chosen at an election held on the first Monday in August, 1834. David McCombs, Ira Bacon, and Robert Newall were elected commissioners; William Sill, clerk, auditor, and recorder; and Aaron Hicks and George A. Spencer, sheriff and treasurer, respectively.

The commissioners held their first meeting on July 19, 1834, in the home of George A. Spencer, six miles southwest of Monticello. Cornelius Clark was appointed assessor and George A. Spencer, treasurer. The county was also divided into three townships. At present, there are eleven townships in White County: Big Creek, Cass, Honey Creek, Jackson, Liberty, Monon, Prairie, Princeton, Round Grove, Union, and West Point.

At the September 1824 meeting of the county board, the commissioners appointed to locate the seat of government of White County reported that the present site of Monticello had been chosen. The town was laid out on November 3, 1834, and the lots placed on sale a few days later. The county was named

in honor of Major Isaac White, who was killed at the battle of Tippecanoo.

The first session of the White County Circuit Court was held at the George A. Spencer home October 17, 1834. The presiding judge of the circuit, John R. Porter, was absent and the two associate judges held court.

Court was held in the Spencer home until the fall of 1836, when it adjourned to Monticello. The first courthouse was completed in the summer of 1837. It was a frame building, two stories high and 20 x 22 feet in size. It stood on the east side of Main Street, on the second lot south of Harrison street. In September, 1846, a frame building, 16 x 20 feet in size, was completed and served as the clerk's office. The construction of the second courthouse was begun in 1848 and completed in December, 1851. This was a two story brick building with county offices on the first floor and a courtroom and jury room above. The cornerstone of the present courthouse was laid on August 16, 1894, and was completed a year later. It is built of Bedford stone, is two stories high and is 108 x 88 feet in size.

The population of White County has been decreasing steadily since 1900; that year it was 19,000, and the figures for 1930 showed 15,831 persons living in the county. Monticello, the only city, has increased in size and the incorporated towns - Chalmers, Reynolds, Burnettsville, Monon, Brookston, and Wolcott - remain for the most part unchanged as regards population. There are only 257 foreign born whites living in the county.

The citizens of White County rely almost entirely upon agriculture for their livelihood. The most important agricultural products are livestock and grains. Corn has always been an important crop. Some oats, rye, and barley are grown, and soy beans are becoming increasingly important.

The important manufacturing establishments of the county are located at Monticello. The largest - a concern manufacturing radio cabinets - employs about 500 workers. A thread mill employs another hundred. A canning factory located at Brookson, and a stone-crushing plant do a seasonal business.

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2. GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION AND RECORDS SYSTEM

White County, with its county seat at Monticello, is a subdivision of the State of Indiana for administrative, judicial, and political purposes. It is a creature of the legislature and possesses only such powers of local government as are conferred by acts of the legislature or are incident and necessary to carry out the provisions thereof. Created by the state, the county is subject to legislative control at any time and its powers may be amplified or diminished without its consent.

White County was organized by an act of the General Assembly, effective April 1, 1834. (1) Its present government, as it functions today, is the result of its development under the original Constitution of 1815, the present Constitution adopted in 1851, and more than a century of legislative action.

The county system of government is an inheritance from England and the American Colonies, whence pioneers in Indiana brought their customs and laws. Its beginnings in Indiana are found in the laws of the Northwest Territory, which recognized the counties already established, and provided for courts and administrative officers, as follows: General court of quarter sessions of the peace, county court of common pleas, (2) and court of probate, (3) commissioners, (4) sheriff, (5) coroner, (6) recorder, (7) treasurer, (8) (circuit court). (9) These officers were appointed by either the governor or the court. The laws of Indiana Territory provided for the appointment of

additional officers; Surveyor. (10) assessor, (11) prosecuting attorney, (12) and county agent who convoys and receives conveyances of public lands. (13)

In the year of 1816 Indiana was admitted to the Union and the constitution of that year provided for the election in each county of a clerk of the circuit court, (14) recorder, (15) sheriff, and coroner, (16) and continued the other territorial officers until superseded. (17)

The legislature, in 1817, established a body called the board of commissioners, elected by the voters of the county; (18) the office of treasurer, who was appointed by the board of commissioners; (19) and in 1818 the office of surveyor, who was appointed and commissioned by the Governor of the state. (20)

In 1824, the board of commissioners was abolished, and its functions conferred upon the justices of the peace of the county, who constituted the board for doing county business, (21) until in 1831 the board of commissioners was reestablished, which consisted of three members elected by the voters. (22) In 1831 the legislature made the surveyor an appointee of the board of commissioners. (23) When White County was organized in 1834, its government followed the form outlined above. In 1841 the elective office of auditor was created. (24) Otherwise the original organization continued practically unchanged for nearly ten years.

As the state grew, there was much dissatisfaction with the Constitution of 1816, but repeated attempts to change it did not succeed until 1850, when a constitutional convention was called

which framed a new constitution. (25) This constitution was submitted to the qualified voters of the state and adopted in 1851 and proclaimed by the governor to be effective on November 1, 1851, and with amendments, remains the Constitution of Indiana. (26)

Each county is a political subdivision of the state and has an individual governmental organization. Although the Constitution of 1851 forbids special legislation, (27) and the general outline of the organization of county government remains the same, the general assembly has provided the necessary variations to take care of local needs and conditions. These variations lie chiefly in the number of officers and courts provided for counties within classifications based upon population. Urban and rural areas obviously cannot be ruled by the same number of officers. Each county has the constitutional officers, but the statutory officers vary in number, powers, and duties. The latter officers may be compulsory in all counties, or they may be optional and therefore established in only a few instances; others are authorized in only certain classes of counties, though the class may include only one county.

Indiana stands alone among the states of the Union in having a dual system of county governing boards, since the establishment in each county of a county council in 1899. (28) Each county is governed by a board of commissioners and a county council. The duties of these agencies, with technical distinction, are enumerated in their proper places below.

From the beginning of the present century a tendency toward centralization of power in the hands of state authorities has taken from county officials many of their powers and duties and has greatly lessened the scope of those remaining. In older fields of finance, roads, and education, the state's supervision has greatly increased and the creation of newer state departments such as police, food and fire inspection, and public welfare, has caused heavy removal of local responsibility and control.

Present Administration

The Constitution of 1851 reorganized the governmental structure, enlarging the number of constitutional officers to be elected by the people of the county, as follows: (29)

Clerk of the circuit court, who, by statutory provision, keeps the records of the proceedings of all county courts and performs other administrative duties, including serving as registration officer and member of the county election boards.

Recorder, who makes and preserves a public record of all legal documents, both official and private, as may be prescribed by law.

Sheriff, who is conservatio of the peace and executes orders of the county courts and boards.

Coroner, who holds inquests in all cases of death by violence and of suspicious circumstances.

Treasurer, who receives and disburses all county moneys including the collection of taxes, and serves as ex-officio member of the board of review.

Auditor, who, the financial agent of the county, compiles the county budget estimates, prepares the tax duplicates and serves as clerk and member of several county boards.

Surveyor, who has charge of all surveying and civil engineering work of the county including the maintenance of drainage systems. (30)

The constitution also empowered the legislature to prescribe such other officers as may become necessary. (31) Under this authority the legislature has from time to time established the following statutory officers and boards:

Board of commissioners, the leading governing body of the county, often called the "county board", or the "board for doing county business". It consists of three members elected for terms of three years. The board furnishes and maintains county buildings and grounds, administers the financial transactions of the county and audits the accounts of all officers who handle moneys of the county, and is responsible for the maintenance of county highways. (32)

County council, another governing body, created in 1899, (33) to control the finances of county government. This council consists of seven members, elected for terms of four years. The council has power to fix the tax rate for county purposes and for all purposes where the rate is not fixed by law and is required to be uniform throughout the county; to adopt the county budget and the exclusive right to make appropriations from the county treasury; and the exclusive power to authorize the borrowing of money and the issuing of bonds. (34)

Superintendent of schools, in 1873, (35) who has general superintendence of all schools of the county outside of incorporated cities and towns. (36) Elected by the township trustees, (37) he is ex-officio member and president of the county board of education. (38)

Board of education, in 1873, (39) consisting since an amendment of 1877, of the superintendent of schools, township trustees, and the chairman of school trustees of each city and town of the county. The board considers the general wants and needs of the schools and school property, and all matters relating to the purchase of school furniture, books, maps, and charts. (40)

Health officer, in 1881, originally secretary of the board of health, (41) abolished by an act of 1909, which created the office of health commissioner, (42) whose title was changed in 1935 to health officer. He is appointed by the board of commissioners and must be legally qualified to practice medicine and enforce the health laws of the state. (43)

Assessor, in 1891, (44) who instructs and advises the township assessors, reviews their returns and examines the tax duplicates, assesses omitted real and personal property, (45) and appraises estates for inheritance taxes. (46) He is elected by the voters of the county, (47) and is ex-officio member and president of the board of review. (48)

Board of review, in 1891, whose members are the county assessor, auditor, and treasurer, (49) and, by an amendment of 1919, two freeholders of opposite political parties, appointed by the judge of the circuit court. (50) This board equalizes tax assessments as

between townships or other taxing units and between individual property owners, and may set aside the aggregate assessment, if too high or too low, of the whole county or any taxing unit thereof and order a new assessment. (51)

Board of finance, in 1907, consisting of the board of commissioners, with the auditor as secretary. (52) This board has the custody of county funds and selects the depositories, (53) apportioning the deposits among the banks in agreement with municipal corporations in the county according to the total resources of the depositories. (45)

Agricultural agent, in 1913, who, under the supervision of Purdue University, conducts farmers' institutes and other movements for the advancement of agriculture and country life, and aids the superintendent of schools and the teachers of the county in agricultural education and domestic science. He is appointed by the director of agricultural extension service of Purdue University, subject to the approval of the state board known as the county agricultural agent board. (55)

Highway supervisor, in 1933, who supervises, under the direction of the board of commissioners, the repair and maintenance of all county highways. The board of commissioners makes the appointment and may appoint the surveyor as highway supervisor. The board of commissioners of White County has appointed the surveyor as highway supervisor.

Board of tax adjustment, in 1933, consisting of seven members (57) who, by an amendment of 1937, are: One member of the county council, chosen by the council; the mayor of the largest city in the county or any public official of any city in the county, appointed

by the mayor of the largest city of the county; one member of the county board of education, selected by such board; and four freeholders appointed by the judge of the circuit court. The board examines any tax levy and the corresponding items of the budget, and adjusts the tax rate so that it shall not exceed, in any municipal corporation, the total tax rate prescribed by law. (58)

School fund board, in 1935, consisting of three members; the auditor and the clerk of the circuit court, ex officio, and one member appointed by the judge of the circuit court. The board makes all loans from the common school and the congressional township school funds to owners of real estate, duly secured by mortgage. (59)

Department of public welfare, in 1936, (80) comprising the board of public welfare, consisting of five members appointed by the judge of the circuit court, (61) and the director of public welfare, appointed by the board. (62) The department administers the measures of public welfare as prescribed by law and the rules of the state department. (63)

Registration officer, in 1933, who is the clerk of the circuit court ex-officio. He conducts the registration of voters (64) and furnishes a list of the registered voters to the inspector of each precinct. (65)

Board of election commissioners, in 1889, consisting of the clerk of the circuit court and two persons appointed by him, of opposite political parties. The board prepares, prints, and distributes ballots for general elections (66) and appoints the precinct officials. (67)

Board of canvassers, in 1905, which is the board of election commissioners. (68) The board canvasses, tabulates, and compiles the election returns of the county (69) and certifies the candidates elected. (70)

Board of primary election commissioners, in 1915, consisting of the clerk of the circuit court and two persons appointed by him, of opposite political parties. The board prepares, prints, and distributes ballots for primary elections. (71)

Judicial

The judicial system of White County, as of other Indiana counties, is prescribed by the constitution and subsequent acts of the Indiana General Assembly. The constitution authorized and directed that the state be divided into judicial circuits. (72) White County, constitutes the thirty-ninth circuit, established in 1927. (73) Previously, it was a part of a judicial circuit to which other counties were attached. The constitution further provides for the election of a judge (74) and a prosecuting attorney for the circuit, (75) and a clerk of the circuit court. (76) The circuit court has original exclusive jurisdiction in all cases, criminal, civil, probate, and juvenile, except where exclusive or concurrent jurisdiction is conferred by law upon justices of the peace, and such appellate jurisdiction as is conferred by law. It also has jurisdiction of all other causes, matters, and proceedings where exclusive jurisdiction thereof is not conferred by law upon some other court or office. (77)

Records System

The records of White County began with its creation in 1834. The establishment of each of the county offices and bureaus inaugurated their records which were kept in such fashion as the incumbents saw fit, following in the main the directions of the general assembly under the provisions for each respective office. In 1909, the legislature established the state board of accounts, which formulates, prescribes, and installs systems of accounting and reporting which are uniform for every public office of the same class. (78) Under this law some of the records were combined to eliminate separation, duplication, and overlapping. The board also permits the use of bound loose-leaf records in almost all cases where the records are typed. The quality of the paper and ink and the binding and rebinding practices are left to the judgment of the board of county commissioners, except that a good quality is required.

Whenever it may be necessary for the preservation of the records of any office, it is the duty of the board of commissioners to issue an order directing the officer in charge to copy and transcribe the records. (79)

In 1925 a law was passed permitting county officials, at their discretion, to turn over to the archives division of the state library for permanent preservation, any official books, records, documents, original papers, newspapers files, or printed books and material not in current use in their offices. (80) This law is optional and has been ineffectual. County officials

are loath to part with records, even when no longer in use and in spite of lack of storage space, anticipating a possible call for them. Consequently, they have only occasionally availed themselves of this provision for permanent preservation of their old records.

The recorder and other county officials, by an act of 1927, are authorized to record deeds, mortgages, and other instruments by an approved photographic process adopted by the board of commissioners. (81)

In 1937, the general assembly authorized the director of the state library, at his discretion, to make a copy, by photography or in any other way, of any official book, record, document, original paper, newspaper, or printed book or material in any county, city, or other public office, for preservation in the state archives. All public officials must permit copies to be made of the books, records, documents, and papers in their respective offices. (82)

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3. HOUSING, CARE, AND ACCESSIBILITY OF THE RECORDS

White County courthouse, a limestone structure built in 1894, is situated on a public square in Monticello. It is 104' in length, 89' in width, and 114' in height from the ground to the clock tower on the southeast corner of the building. Except for certain records of the coroner and the health officer, the county records are housed in the courthouse, in the following rooms: On the first floor, the office of the sheriff, the superintendent of schools, and the agricultural agent; on the second floor, the assessor's office and the offices and vaults of the clerk, the recorder, the treasurer, and the auditor; and in the attic, a storage room.

Board of Commissioners

The commissioners' records are housed in the clerk's vault, the auditor's office and vault, and the storage room (q.v., infra).

County Council

All the council's records are housed in the auditor's vault (q.v., infra).

Clerk of the Circuit Court

The clerk's office and vault, on the northeast corner of the first floor, are 24' by 16' by 14' and 19' by 13' by 14' respectively, and are well lighted and well ventilated. The office has a wooden floor and plastered walls and ceiling; the vault, a marble floor. Eight feet of bound volumes and 113' of unbound records in file boxes 14" deep, comprising 1% of the records of the circuit court, are kept

in the office, the present shelving housing these adequately and allowing expansion. The vault houses 613' of bound volumes and 307' of unbound records in file boxes 13" deep. About 45' of shelving are available for bound volumes, but none at all for unbound records. Space for additional shelving, however, can be obtained here. In this room are 28% of the clerk's records; 1% of the commissioners' records; 92% of the records of the circuit court; 89% of the records of the common pleas court; 50% of the coroner's records; 1% of the registration officers' records; all the records of the primary election commissioners, the board of canvassers, and the board of election commissioners; and 42% of the health officer's records. Seventy-two per cent of the clerk's records are housed in the storage room.

Recorder

The recorder occupies an office and a vault on the southeast corner of the second floor, the former of which is 23' by 16' by 14' and has a wooden floor, plastered walls, and a plastered ceiling, while the latter is 17' by 12' by 14' and has a marble floor and plastered walls and ceiling. Both rooms are well lighted and well ventilated, and both provide adequate accommodations for users of the records. In the office are 5' of bound volumes and 12' of unbound records in file boxes 10" deep. The present equipment is adequate for the housing of these records. In the vault are 672' of bound volumes and 2' of unbound records in file boxes 13" deep. Here, the shelving is wholly occupied, but space for more can be obtained. Eleven per cent of the recorder's records are housed in his office, and 89% in his vault.

Circuit Court

The records of the circuit court are housed in the clerk's office and vault, and the storage room (q.v.: clerk, supra; storage room, infra).

Common Pleas Court

The records of the common pleas court are housed in the clerk's vault and the storage room (q.v.: clerk supra; storage room, infra).

Sheriff

The sheriff's office, measuring 18' by 14' by 10', lies at the northeast corner of the first floor. Having a wooden floor, plastered walls, and plastered ceiling, it is in good condition and is well lighted and well ventilated. Steel shelving--68' along the west wall of the room--houses 62' of bound volumes and 2' of unbound records in file boxes 12" deep. These comprise 92% of the sheriff's records. Three per cent of the records--8' of bound volumes---are housed on wooden shelving in the lobby of the sheriff's office. Good accommodations are provided in the office for users of the records, the remainder of which (5%) are housed in the storage room.

Coroner

The coroner's office is located at present in the L. E. Miller Building in Idaville. The room containing the records--2' of unbound records--is in good condition. Fifty per cent of the coroner's records are housed here and 50% in the clerk's vault.

Assessor

A room, lying on the west side of the second floor between the treasurer's and auditor's offices, is used jointly by the assessor and the commissioners. Measuring 36' by 20' by 16', it has a wooden floor, plastered walls, and plastered ceiling, and is well lighted and well ventilated. The wooden shelving is entirely occupied by 555' of bound volumes, but space is available for additional shelving. Good accommodations for users of the records are provided in this room, which houses 29% of the assessor's records, 12% of the auditor's records, 3% of the health officer's records, and 6% of the highway supervisor's records. The other 71% of the assessor's records are housed in the auditor's office and vault.

Board of Review

All the records of the board of review are housed in the auditor's vault (q.v., *infra*).

Board of Finance

Records of the board of finance are housed in the auditor's office and vault (q.v., *infra*).

Treasurer

An office and a vault, on the northwest corner of the second floor, are occupied by the treasurer. The office has a wooden floor, plastered walls, and a plastered ceiling, and the vault has a marble floor, plastered walls, and a plastered ceiling. Providing adequate accommodations for users of the records, both rooms are well ventilated

and well lighted. The office, whose dimensions are 24' by 18' by 16', houses 20' of bound volumes, the majority of which are on wooden shelving, while the remainder are arranged on a desk. Space for future records is available. Measuring 19' by 12' by 16', the vault houses 200' of bound volumes and 5' of unbound records in file boxes 20" deep, ample space for expansion being available here, also, on the present shelving. Eight per cent of the treasurer's records are housed in his office, 14% in his vault, 6% in the auditor's vault, and 72% in the storage room.

Auditor

The auditor's office and vault, measuring 24' by 16' by 16' and 19' by 13' by 16' respectively, lie at the southeast corner of the second floor, adjoining the assessor's room. The office has a wooden floor, plastered walls, and a plastered ceiling, and is well ventilated and well lighted. The vault is similar in construction and condition, except that its flooring is marble. In the office are 62' of bound volumes and 165' of unbound records in file boxes 14" deep. Only 1' of the present shelving is unoccupied, and there is no space for more. The vault houses 870' of bound volumes and 229' of unbound records in file boxes of various depths. As in the office, no space for expansion is left here. Housed in the office are 5% of the auditor's records, 8% of the commissioners' records, 29% of the assessor's records, and 25% of the records of the board of finance; in the vault 23% of the auditor's records, all records of the council and the board of review, 42% of the assessor's records, 75% of the records

of the board of finance, 6% of the treasurer's records, 1% of the registration officer's records, 2% of the records of the superintendent of schools, and 94% of the highway supervisor's records. Users of the records can be well accommodated in either room. Twelve per cent of the auditor's records are housed in the assessor's office, 2% in the welfare office, and 58% in the storage room.

Registration Officer

The registration officer's records are housed in the clerk's vault, the auditor's vault, the welfare office, and the storage room (q.v.: clerk, auditor, supra; welfare, storage room, infra).

Primary Election Commissioners

The records of the primary election commissioners are housed in the clerk's vault (q.v., supra).

Board of Canvassers

All the records of the board of canvassers are housed in the clerk's vault (q.v., supra).

Board of Election Commissioners

All records of the board of election commissioners are housed in the clerk's vault (q.v., supra).

Board of Education

Records of the board of education are housed in the office of

the superintendent of schools (q.v., infra).

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Superintendent of Schools

Located at the southeast corner of the first floor, the office of the superintendent of schools, a well lighted, well ventilated room, is 20' by 15' by 10'. It has a wooden floor and plastered walls and ceiling; these are in good condition, and good accommodations are provided for users of the records--29' of bound and 25' of unbound records--are housed on steel shelving. Eighty per cent of the superintendent's records and all the records of the board of education are housed here; 2% of the superintendent's records are housed in the auditor's vault and 18% in the storage room.

Health Officer

The health officer's office is located at present in the professional office of the incumbent, Dr. J. C. Carney, at 116 North Illinois Street, Idaville. Three feet of bound volumes are arranged on a table. Forty-two per cent of the health officer's records are housed here, an equal amount in the clerk's vault, 3% each in the assessor's office and the storage room, and 10% in the welfare office.

Department of Public Welfare

The office of the department of public welfare, on the southwest corner of the first floor, is 15' by 12' by 10' and has a wooden floor, plastered walls, and a plastered ceiling. Well lighted and well ventilated, it is equipped with 17' of shelving, on which are 6' of bound

volumes and 6' of unbound records in file boxes 24" deep. All the records of the department are housed in this room, in which satisfactory accommodations are provided for users of the records.

Surveyor

All the surveyor's records are housed in the storage room (q.v., infra).

Highway Supervisor

The highway supervisor's records are housed in the assessor's office and the auditor's vault (q.v., infra).

Agricultural Agent

On the northwest corner of the first floor, an office, 14' by 11' by 10', is occupied by the agricultural agent. This office is well lighted and well ventilated; it has a wooden floor and plastered walls and ceiling, and provides users of the records with adequate accommodations. Fifty feet of unbound records--all those of the agricultural agent--are housed in filing cabinets, in which ample space is left for expansion.

Storage Room

In the attic--the fourth floor--a room 24' by 23' by 12' is used for the storage of records. It has a wooden floor, brick walls, and a tile ceiling. These are in good condition, and the lighting is likewise good; but the ventilation is poor, and dust is present in sizable

quantities. On 668' of shelving are 510' of bound volumes and 152' of unbound records in file boxes of various depths. Space for more shelving--approximately 200'--is available. In this room are housed 1% of the commissioners' records, 72% each of the records of the clerk and treasurer, 7% of the records of the circuit court, 11% of the records of the common pleas court, 5% of the sheriff's records, 58% of the auditor's records, 87% of the registration officer's records, 18% of the records of the superintendent of schools, 3% of the health officer's records, and all the surveyor's records. No accommodations for users are furnished here.

Review

Additional shelving is, or will soon be, necessary in the clerk's and recorder's vaults. As stated above, space for this shelving can be obtained. The auditor's office and vault, however, are lacking in this space.

If ventilation is improved in the storage room, and if more shelving is installed there, the congestion in the auditor's vault will be relieved. This is recommended by the Historical Records Survey, with the further recommendation that, if this shelving is constructed, the full 200' be installed.

4. ABBREVIATIONS, SYMBOLS, AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Style Manual of the United States Government Printing Office is the authority followed herein.

Acts	(Session) Laws of the State of Indiana (commonly referred to by binder's title, "Acts"). By authority ... (of the) Secretary of State (of Indiana)
agr. agt.	agricultural agent, agricultural agent's
alph.	alphabetical, alphabetically
approx.	approximately
arr.	arranged
art.	article
assr.	assessor, assessor's
aud.	auditor, auditor's
aver.	average
bdl.	bundle
Bldg.	Building
bsmt.	basement
Burns.	Burns, Harrison, editor. Annotated Indiana Statutes containing all acts of a general and public nature in force September 1, 1933. 12 vols. The Bobbs-Merrill Company, Indianapolis, Ind. (c1933 and 1934) with Supplement 1936 in pocket in back cover. (Year is given in reference only in citations to supplement. Numbers refer to sections which run in one continuous, consecutive series as explained in Burns 1:iii-iv.)
c.	copyright (before date)
C.C.	County Courthouse

ch.	chapter
chron.	chronologically, chronological
clk.	clerk, clerk's
comr.	commissioner, commissioners, commissioner's, commissioners'
Const.	Constitution of Indiana (refers to present constitution unless date follows)
cor.	coroner, coroner's
hdw.	handwritten
hi. sup.	highway supervisor, highway supervisor's
hlth. offr.	health officer, health officer's
ibid.	ibidem (same reference as that immediately foregoing)
Ind.	Indiana; Indiana Reports (when preceded by the volume number, reference is to the official state court reports).
Laws Ind. Terr.	Laws of Indiana Territory, The, 1801-1809. Edited by Francis S. Philbrick. Collections of the Illinois State Historical Library: Vol. 21. Reprinted with supplementary Indiana material. Indianapolis, Ind. Historical Bureau, 1931.
Laws N. W. Terr.	Laws of the Northwest Territory, The, 1788-1800. Edited by Theodore Calvin Pease. Illinois State Historical Library Law Series: Vol. 1. Springfield, Ill. Reprinted by the Illinois State Bar Association. (c1935)
mi.	mile
n.	north
ne.	northeast

no., nos.	number, numbers
nw.	northwest
off.	office
p., pp.	page, pages
pr. frm.	printed form
pt.	part
pvt.	private
pros. atty.	prosecuting attorney, prosecuting attorney's
q.v.	which see
rec.	record
recr.	recorder, recorder's
Rev. Laws 1831	Revised Laws of Indiana, ... enacted by the general assembly at their fifteenth session ... Published by authority of the general assembly. Indianapolis, 1931.
Rev. Stat. 1843	Revised Statutes of the State of Indiana passed at the twenty-seventh session of the general assembly ... Printed and published according to law. Indianapolis, 1845.
1 Rev. Stat. 1852) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852)	Revised Statutes of the State of Indiana, passed at the thirteenth session of the general assembly ... 2 vols. Printed and published according to law. Indianapolis, 1852.
Rev. Stat. 1881	Revised Statutes of Indiana ... Collated and annotated by James F. Frazer, John B. Stotsenburg and David Turpie, Commissioners. By authority of the general assembly Chicago, Ill. B. B. Myers and Com- pany, 1881.
rm.	room

s.	south
soc.	section
se.	southeast
shf.	sheriff, sheriff's
spe. sess.	special session
stat.	statutes
stg.	storage
suppl.	supplement
sur.	surveyor, surveyor's
supt.	superintendent, superintendent's, superintendent of schools
sw.	southwest
tr.	treasurer, treasurer's
twp.	township
U.S.	United States
vol., vols.	volume, volumes
vt.	vault
wfr.	welfare
--	current
'	foot, feet
"	inch, inches

Other abbreviations in common use are occasionally used.

Explanatory Notes

The inventory of the records of each bureau is preceded by an explanatory section, giving its legal status and functions.

In each legal status the inception date of each office is given as a comparative basis for the dates of the records. If the office were established before the origin of the county, the date of organization is the inception date. Whenever the inception date of records is later than the date of the organization of the county, it is by reason of statutory inauguration.

Entries are grouped under an outline classification, using headings and subheads according to relative functions. The first breakdown is centered in capitals and lower-case; the second breakdown is relative to the first and is in capitals and lower-case, underscored at the margin.

Each entry has two parts or paragraphs: Title and description. Occasionally an entry will have a third cross-reference paragraph.

I. The title consists of:

1. Entry number. The entries are numbered consecutively within the county.

2. Titles in capitals, enclosed in parentheses, are supplied by the Historical Records Survey, because either the volume or file has no title or an incorrect one. Words in capitals and lower-case, enclosed in parentheses, are also supplied or are supplementary to the title, where it is necessary to explain the types of records more fully.

3. Period covered by the record, showing beginning and ending dates by years only. In a divided year, the months and days are given. A dash in place of an ending date denotes a continuous open record.

4. Quantity.

5. Markings, if a series or a part of a series. Where the entry consists of one unit, marked 1, the marking is omitted; if otherwise marked, except by dates, marking is given.

6. Variation in numbering.

7. Missing volumes.

8. Subtitles or variations in title.

II. The description consists of:

1. A complete description of the record, its contents and its purpose, with a resume of the column headings or subjects treated.

2. Method of arrangement or indexing.

3. Nature of recording. Modern records are almost exclusively in printed form, filled in by hand or typewriter as stated in entry.

4. Condition. Unless good or excellent, in which case, it is omitted.

5. Number of pages averaged for a series.

6. Size, averaged for a series, is given in inches unless otherwise specified; hence the inch sign is omitted.

7. Location. The place of custody (the room in which the records are located) is given in the entry, except, as stated in the legal status, in cases where all, or the majority, of the records are in one room.

III. Cross- references made to other entries.

1. For records which have relative functions.

2. For records having earlier or later recordings under a different title or type of record.

3. For records for which additional information may be found in other entries.

Whenever an entry contains more than one type of record, all the dates are given in a master entry under the actual title or under a complete title, if supplied, with reference to subordinate entries for each part. The subordinate entries consist of title, dates, and description only.

I. BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The board of commissioners is a statutory body comprising three members (1) elected for terms of three years. Elections are so arranged that one member shall retire each year. (2) The county is divided into three districts from each of which one member is elected by the electorate of the entire county. (3)

White County has had a board for doing county business since 1834, the date of its organization. For the first year it was composed of the justices of the peace of the several townships of the county, as provided by an act of 1824, (4) with the powers and duties originally conferred upon the board of commissioners of the several counties by an act of 1817, (5) An act of 1831 established the board of commissioners consisting of three elective members, (6) and the revised statutes of 1852 confirmed it in its present form. (7)

The board is the administrative agency of the county and exercises all powers for the transaction of county business conferred by law. (8) In 1899 the fiscal powers were vested exclusively in the county council, which was then created. (9)

The board of commissioners is a body corporate and politic by the name and style of "The Board of Commissioners of the County of White", and as such, and in such name, may sue and be sued, possessing duties, rights, and powers incident to corporations. (10) It meets in regular sessions beginning on the first Monday of every

- (1) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1929; Burns 26-601.
- (2) Acts 1885; Burns 26-605.
- (3) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 26-602.
- (4) Rev. Laws 1824, ch. 15, secs. 1, 11, 16-17.
- (5) Acts 1817, ch. 15, sec. 1.
- (6) Rev. Laws 1831, ch. 20, secs. 1, 12, 14.
- (7) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852, ch. 20, sec. 1.
- (8) Acts 1817, ch. 15, sec. 1; Const., art. 6, sec. 10.
- (9) Acts 1889; Burns 26-501, 26-515; Acts 1899, 1921, 1929; Burns 26-532.
- (10) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 25-606.
- (11) Acts 1899; Burns 26-550.
- (12) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-3004; Acts 1899; Burns 26-610.
- (13) Acts 1863; Burns 26-607.
- (14) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1929; Burns 26-601.
- (15) 1 Rev. Stat. 1937 suppl., 26-620.
- (16) Acts 1899; Burns 26-2101; Acts 1919; Burns 36-303; Acts 1937; Burns, 1937 suppl., 26-640.
- (17) Acts 1907; Burns 26-2002, 26-2004.
- (18) Acts 1899, 1903, 1933; Burns 26-536; Acts 1899; Burns 26-535.
- (19) Acts 1919; Burns 36-301.
- (20) Acts 1899; Burns 26-516, 26-519.
- (21) Acts 1859; Burns 26-701; Acts 1919; Burns 26-705.
- (22) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 41-501.
- (23) Acts 1903; Burns 22-3901.
- (24) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1875, 1883, 1899, 1911; Burns 26-1101 to 26-1106.
- (25) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 26-626.
- (26) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 26-617.
- (27) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 26-901.
- (28) Acts 1879, ch. 115, sec. 1.
- (29) Acts 1905, ch. 167, sec. 85.
- (30) Acts 1913, ch. 330, sec. 1.
- (31) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1101.
- (32) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1110.
- (33) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 26-611, 26-621, 49-3004.

Court Proceedings and Reports

1. COMMISSIONERS' RECORD, 1834--. 16 vols. (1-15, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Minutes of proceedings of board of commissioners, showing date, nature of business, and action taken. Arr. alph. by names of subjects.

1834-Oct. 1901, ndw.; Oct. 1901--, typed. 435 pp. 15 x 10 x 2.

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month (11) and in special sessions called for specifically stated business by the county auditor, its clerk ex officio, (12) or, in case of death or disqualification, by the clerk of the circuit court and recorder, respectively. (13) Any two members constitute a quorum to do business. (14)

Its principal functions are: Control of county property, allowance of claims against the county, auditing accounts of all officers handling county money, (15) and exercise of the right of eminent domain. (16) Other powers, in specific instances, have been conferred upon the board by the legislature: Letting of contracts for county buildings; (17) purchase of materials and supplies; (18) supervision of maintenance of roads, bridges, and culverts; (19) preparation of the annual estimates; (20) abolition or change of township or precinct boundary lines; (21) establishment and maintenance of libraries (22) and hospitals; (23) authorization of payment of bounties; offering of rewards; (24) and authorization of subscription to and preservation of public newspapers printed in the county. (25)

Besides its administrative functions, the board sits as a court in the trial of causes concerning county business. For the transaction of business it adopts its own regulations; but for court sessions it must comply, so far as practicable, with the rules for conducting business in the circuit court. (26) Appeals from its decisions can be taken to the circuit court pursuant to provisions

of statute. (27)

The commissioners, by virtue of their office, were constituted a board of turnpike directors by an act of 1879, for the management and control of all free turnpikes in the county. Each director had personal supervision of one district. Their powers were to appoint suitable persons to supervise the work of repairs, contract for labor materials, enter upon lands to take gravel and to give certificates of payments, and to appoint a clerk of the board. (28) An act of 1905 made the county auditor the clerk of the board. (29)

This board was abolished in 1913, and the highways were placed in charge of a superintendent of highways appointed by the commissioners. (30)

This office was likewise abolished twenty years later and supervision of highways was transferred to the surveyor, (31) unless the commissioners appoint a highway supervisor. The county commissioners may employ the surveyor to serve as highway supervisor. (32)

The auditor, as clerk, attends the meetings of the board of commissioners, keeps a record of its proceedings, and preserves all the books and papers touching county business in his office. (33)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

2. GENERAL INDEX TO COMMISSIONERS' RECORDS, not dated.

1 vol.

General index to commissioners' records, showing names of viewers and highways, beginning and termination of highways, general subjects, and docket and page numbers. Arr. alph. by names of general subjects. Hdw. 360 pp. 18 x 11 x 1½. Clk. attic stg. rm.

3. COMMISSIONERS' DOCKET, 1859--. 14 vols. (A-N).

Record of all matters presented to commissioners for action, showing names of parties, nature of request, and action taken. Arr. chron. Hdw. 240 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Aud. vt.

4. SPECIFICATIONS FOR TRUCKS, TRACTORS, COURTHOUSE REPAIRS, AND COUNTY FARM, 1894-1931. 5 file boxes.

Papers for construction and repair of county property. Contains: Specifications and Plans for Equipment and Repairs, entry 5; New Courthouse Contract and Bond, entry 37. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

5. SPECIFICATIONS AND PLANS FOR EQUIPMENT AND REPAIRS, 1894-1931. In (Specifications For Trucks, Tractors, Courthouse Repairs, and County Farm).

Official estimates for purchasing trucks, and tractors, courthouse repairs, and for county farm maintenance; showing date, itemized estimate of expenditures, amount of bid, and name of bidder.

6. SUMMONS RETURNED BY SHERIFF, 1894-99. 1 file box.

Sheriff's return on summons for commissioners to hear viewers' report, showing date, names of commissioners and viewers, and location of roads, highways, and ditches. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

7. ROAD SUPERVISORS' ELECTIONS, 1905-12. 1 file box.

Election papers of road supervisors. Contains: Reports of Elections, entry 8; Tally Papers, entry 3; Poll Books, entry 10. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

8. REPORTS OF ELECTIONS, 1905-12. In Road Supervisors' Elections, entry 7.

Reports of road supervisor's elections, showing date, names of supervisor and township, district number, length of time, and date submitted.

9. TALLY PAPERS, 1909--. In Road Supervisors' Elections, entry 7.

Tally sheets for election of a road supervisor, showing date, names of candidates, total votes, and certificate of election.

10. POLL BOOKS 1909. In Road Supervisors' Elections, entry 7.

Poll books for election of road supervisor, showing date and time of election; names of voters, clerk, and inspector; location of voting place; and district and township numbers.

11. (SCHOOL REPORTS), 1870--. 2 file boxes.

Reports of school funds and activities. Contains: School Fund Report, entry 12; Statistical Report, entry 345; Examiners' Report;

entry 346; Auditor's Reports of Finance, entry 457; Revenues Collected, entry 458; Semiannual Statements of School Revenue, entry 459; Condition Report of School Funds, entry 460; Enumeration of School Children, entry 495. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

12. SCHOOL FUND REPORT, 1875-1910. In School Reports, entry 11.

Board of commissioners' report to state superintendent of public instruction, showing date, itemized school fund statistics, and balance in fund.

13. LOCATION OF COUNTY SEAT, 1834-37. 1 file box.

Commissioners' report on location of county seat, and courthouse, showing date, names of petitioners, discussion, and disposition by board, and amount of voluntary donations by petitioners. No index. 10 x 8 x 4. Aud. attic stg. rm.

14. RETAILER'S BOND RECORD, 1882-86. 1 vol.

Record of retail liquor bonds issued, to dealers, showing date of issuance, names of dealer and bondsman; amount, condition, and obligations; location of business; and date of approval. Arr. chron. Hdw. 240 pp. 18 x 12 x 1½. Attic stg. rm.

15. APPLICATION FOR LIQUOR LICENSE, 1901-'9. 1 file box.

Application for liquor licenses, showing date, name of dealer, location of business, date of expiration of license, and signature of applicant. Arr. numerically by twps. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

16. SALOON REMONSTRANCES, 1905-14. 1 file box.

Record of saloon remonstrances with list of remonstrators, showing recital of opposition, and name and address of remonstrator.

No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

Bond Issues

17. BOND REGISTER, 1885-1932. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of bonds registered and sold for construction purposes, showing date and number of bond, name of purchaser, amount of issue, rate of interest, amount of bond, accrued interest, and dates due and paid. Indexed alph. by names of purchasers. Hdw.

Condition fair. 302 pp. 20 x 14 x 1 3/4. Aud. off.

18. BONDS AND COUPONS, 1894--. 30 file boxes.

Title varies: Bonds and Coupons Redeemed.

Bonds sold and coupons redeemed for construction and improvements, showing date and amount of bond, dates bond and coupon redeemed, and amount of interest. No index. 13 x 10 x 5 1/2. Aud. vt.

19. DITCH BOND REGISTER, 1929-32. 1 vol. (2). Vol. 1,

prior to Oct. 1929, missing.

Record of ditch bonds, showing date of bond, issue number, purpose, amount, rate of interest, accrued interest, dates due and paid, amount of issue, and name of purchaser. Indexed alph. by names of ditches. Hdw. 320 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Aud. off.

20. BOND RECORD, DITCH, 1891-1907. 2 vols.

Record of bond issues for ditch excavation, showing date; names of broker, contractor, land owner, and ditch; amount of issue; location of ditch; date of acceptance of contract; and date of expiration. Indexed alph. by names of ditches. Hdw. 584 pp. 14 x 9 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

Petitions

21. (PETITIONS AND ESTIMATES OF EXPENSE), 1907-31. 4 file boxes.

Petitions to commissioners and estimate of expense to county council. Contains: Petitions, entry 22; Estimate of Expense, entry 87. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

22. PETITIONS, 1907-15. In(Petitions and Estimates of Expense), entry 21.

Petitions for public improvements, showing date, names of petitioners, location and description of property, and petitioners' estimated cost.

23. PETITIONS, OPENING AND CLOSING OF HIGHWAYS, 1915--.

1 file box.

Petitions and notices of opening and closing highways, showing date, names of petitioners, and dates of notice and petition. Arr. chron, 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

24. GRAVEL ROADS, 1882-1930. 5 file boxes.

Petitions for locations of roads, showing date of petition, names of petitioner and road, and action taken. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

Requisitions, Bids, and Contracts

25. (REQUISITIONS), 1908-17. 2 file boxes.

Petitions for bridges and abutments, showing date, plans and specifications, location, and estimate of material. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

26. REQUISITION FOR SUPPLIES, 1900-1909. 2 file boxes.

Requisitions for supplies and equipment for county agencies, showing date, names of official and office, kind of supplies and equipment, and total amount. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

27. BIDDERS' RECORD, 1935--. 1 vol.

Record of bids, showing dates opened, appraised, and published; name of bidder and amount, description, and nature of bid. Arr. chron. Hdw. 300 pp. 14 x 14 x 2. Aud. vt.

28. BIDS AND CONTRACTS, ROADS AND BRIDGES, 1901-31. 10 file boxes.

Bids and contracts for roads and bridges, showing dates accepted and published; names of bidder, contractor, and bondsman; kind of and amount of bid; kind of contract; amount of bond; and date of expiration. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

29. UNSUCCESSFUL BIDS OF ROAD CONTRACTS, 1917-19. 1 file box.

Rejected bids of road contracts, showing dates of bid, notice, and rejection; name of bidder; cause of rejection; and amount of bid. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

30. BIDS AND BONDS FOR SUPPLIES, 1926--. 6 file boxes.

Bids and surety bonds for office supplies, county farm, and courthouse; showing dates of bid, bond, notice, and publication; names of bidder, contractor, and bondsman; kind of bid; amounts of bid and bond; condition of obligation; and expiration of term of bond. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

31. (BIDS, CONTRACTS, AND BONDS), 1902-27. 2 file boxes.

Papers for supplies and construction work. Contains: Contractor's Bonds, entry 32; Contractor's Bids, entry 33; Contracts, entry 36. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

32. CONTRACTORS' BONDS, 1902-27. In(Bids, Contracts, and Bonds), entry 31. Title varies: Contractor's Bids and Bonds.

Surety bonds posted by contractors to furnish supplies for county and public institutions, showing date, names of contractor and bondsman, amount of bond, and condition of obligation.

33. CONTRACTORS' BIDS, 1902-27. In(Bids, Contracts, and Bonds), entry 31. Title varies: Contractor's Bids and Bonds.

Contractor's bids for supplies on construction, showing date, name

of bidder, date of notice, purpose, and statement accompanying bid.

34. DEEDS, CONTRACTS, AND LEASES, 1918--. 1 file box.

Commissioners' papers. Contains: Contracts for Supplies, entry 35; Waiver Agreements, entry 39; Leases, entry 40; Warranty Deeds, entry 41. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

35. CONTRACTS FOR SUPPLIES, 1926--. In (Deeds, Contracts, and Leases), entry 31.

Contracts for supplies for public improvements and construction, showing date of contract and agreement, name of contractor, account, and kind of supplies.

36. CONTRACTS, 1902-27. In (Bids, Contracts, and Bonds)

entry 31. Title varies: Contractors' Bids, and Bonds.

Contracts to furnish supplies and material for offices, and public construction; showing date, name of contractor, and amount and kind of supplies, and material.

37. NEW COURTHOUSE CONTRACTS AND BONDS, 1894. In (Specifications For Trucks, Tractors, Courthouse Repairs, and County Farm)

entry 14.

Contract and surety bonds for the construction of courthouse, showing date, names of contractor and bondsman, amount of bonds and contract, consideration of obligation, and expiration of term.

38. COUNTY INSURANCE, 1900--. 1 file box.

Insurance policies for courthouse, infirmary, state road supplies, and employees; showing date, names of employees, kind of supplies, amount of policy, premium paid, and date of expiration. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

39. WAIVER AGREEMENTS, 1933. In(Deeds, Contracts, and Leases), entry.34.

Waiver of right to collect money for gravel from owner of pit in exchange for exemption from assessments of road improvement; showing date, name of land owner, location of pit, and nature of agreement.

40. LEASES, 1926--. In(Deeds, Contracts, Leases), entry 34.

1927-30, 1932, 1934-35, missing.

Leases for real estate and buildings, showing date, names of lessee and lessor, location of property, amount of consideration, and date of expiration.

41. WARRANTY DEEDS, 1918-24. In(Deeds, Contracts, Leases), entry 34.

Warranty deeds to county property, showing date, names of grantor and grantee, and location and description of property.

Claims and Allowances

42. CLAIM AND ALLOWANCE RECORD, 1911--. 3 vols. 1928-

June, 1934, missing.

Record of claims and allowances, showing date, claim and warrant

numbers, name of claimant, nature of claim, amount allowed, and appropriation account. Arr. by claim nos. Typed. 520 pp. 17 x 12 x 2½. Aud. vt.

43. COMMISSIONERS' CLAIMS AND ALLOWANCES, 1872--. 136

file boxes. Title varies: 1924--, Claims.

Claims allowed and rejected, showing date, name of claimant, itemized amounts of claims and allowances, account, and kind of appropriation. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

44. COMMISSIONERS' COURT CLAIMS, 1934--. 1 file box.

Suits in settlement of county claims in circuit court, showing date of action, names of plaintiffs and attorneys, cause number, proceedings, amounts of claim and judgment, final order, and execution. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

45. (BILLS FOR SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT), 1900-1923. 26 file boxes.

Bills for office supplies and equipment, showing date, name of vendor, order number, amount, purpose, account, and fund. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

46. COUNTY FARM PAPERS, 1860--. 1 file box.

Miscellaneous papers consisting of claims and allowances, abstract of titles, mortgages and releases, property inventory, superintendent's contracts and bonds, estimate for supplies, supply contracts, and certificates of judgments; showing date, claim, order, warrant, bond, and certificate numbers; names of claimant, mortgagee, mortgagor,

contractor, and judgment creditor; amounts of bond, claim, allowance, mortgage, property inventory, supplies, estimates, judgments, and itemized contracts; location and description of property; and consideration of mortgage release. No index.

13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

47. CLAIMS REJECTED AND WITHDRAWN, 1918--. 2 file boxes.

Claims rejected and withdrawn, showing date, name of claimant, itemized amount of claim, and kind of appropriation. No index.

13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

48. CIRCUIT COURT DITCH ALLOWANCES, 1865-1934. 3 file boxes.

1866-1926, missing.

Papers in suits in settlement of damage petitions, showing names of defendant and plaintiff, cause, proceedings, judgment award, and final court order. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

49. WOLF AND FOX BOUNTY AFFIDAVITS, 1876-93. 1 file box.

Affidavits to collect wolf and fox bounties, showing date, name of affiant, kind and age of animal, date killed, and amount of bounty allowed. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

50. OLD AGE PENSION APPLICATIONS, 1934-36. 2 file boxes.

Applications for old age pension, showing date, name, age, sex, color or race, place of birth, and present address of applicant; whether rejected; and amount of pension. Arr. alph. by names of applicants. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

For other old age pension records, see entry 533.

51. (INQUEST COSTS AND REQUISITIONS), 1858-99. 1 file box.
Insanity papers. Contains: State Institution Requisitions, entry
52; Insanity Fees, entry 53; Coroner's Inquest Fees, entry 54.
No index, 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

52. STATE INSTITUTION REQUISITIONS, 1873-99. In(Inquest
Costs and Requisitions), entry 51.
Statements from insane hospital for clothing and other supplies,
showing date, name of inmate, kind of clothing or supplies, and
amount.

53. INSANITY FEES, 1870-99. In(Inquest Costs and Requisitions),
entry 51.
Certificates of fees, due in sanity inquests, showing date, name of
patient, and amount of fee.

54. CORONER'S INQUEST FEES, 1858-95. In(Inquest Costs and
Requisitions), entry 51.
Coroners' inquest costs, and verdicts given, showing date and place
of death, names of deceased, coroner, and payee, cause of death;
and itemized fees.

55. AFFIDAVITS FOR WOLF SCALPS, 1841-42. In(Affidavits and
Indictments), entry 486.
Sworn statements of persons claiming bounty for killing wolves,
showing names of county and claimant, number of pelts shown, date
of killing, and signatures of claimant and justice of peace.
No index. 10 x 13 x 4. Clk. vt.

Roads, Bridges, and Ditches

56. ROAD RECORD, 1836--. 9 vols. (A-I). Title varies:

Record of Roads.

Record of petitions to view and to change, with reports of viewers; showing date; names of petitioners, viewers, and road; location and description; purpose of meeting; proof of publication; and proceeding of board. Indexed alph. by names of roads. 1836-Aug. 6, 1901, hdw.; Aug. 7, 1901--., typed. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2½. Aud. vt.

57. ROAD INDEX, 1835-1930. 1 vol. Sept. 1902-Nov. 4, 1930, missing.

Index to roads, showing date, page number, commissioners' record, petitioners' reports, beginning and termination point of roads, remonstrances, actions of board, description of route, and references to changes and vacations. Arr. alph. by names of twps. Hdw. 340 pp. 17 x 14 x 1½. Aud. vt.

58. RECORD, BOARD OF TURNPIKE DIRECTORS, 1883-1901.

1 vol. Mar. 7, 1901--., missing.

Minutes of meetings of board of turnpike directors, showing date and place of meeting, names of members, nature of proceedings, and action taken. No index. Hdw. 268 pp. 16 x 11 x 1½. Aud. vt.

59. PRIVATE BONDS PAID, (Viewers' Report of Roads, Bridges, and Ditches), 1902-8. 2 file boxes, 1905-6, missing.

Viewers' reports on construction of roads, bridges, and ditches; showing date; names of road, bridge, and ditch; petitions;

specifications; estimates; profiles; stone arch and retaining walls; penalty and damage; and recapitulation. No index.

1 box, 22 x 19 x 20; 1 box, 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

60. (PROFILES OF BRIDGES AND GRAVEL ROADS), 1898-1931.

26 file boxes (A-W, Y, Z, and 2 boxes not labeled).

1899-1911, missing.

Profiles of bridge and gravel road construction, showing horizontal and perpendicular scales, station number, and bench marks. 33 x 4 x 3½. Aud. off.

61. ROADS TO BE PASSED UPON BY COMMISSIONERS' COURT, 1915-34.

1 file box.

Record of roads ready for approval of commissioners, showing date, notice to issue bonds, proof of publication, precept to post notice, report of tax board on bond issue, petition for road, notice to viewers, qualification of viewers, and report of estimate for construction expenditures. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

62. ROADS PENDING, 1912-22. 1 file box.

Record of roads and ditches awaiting approval, showing dates of petition, notice, report, transcript, and advertisement; viewers' report and estimate of expenditures; proof of publication; length of time; notice of bond issue; precept to post notice; bond rate; motion to amend; and transcript of proceedings. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

63. ROADS REJECTED, CURRENT, 1919-30. 1 file box.

Documentary reports of rejected proposals for construction of roads, showing dates of rejection, notice, advertisement, and petition; proof of publication; notice of petition; precept to post notice; qualifications of viewers; ditch remonstrance; viewers' report and estimate; and supplemental report. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

64. ROADS, COMMISSIONERS' COURT, (SPECIFICATIONS AND PROFILES OF ROADS), 1929-34. 1 file box.

Specifications and profiles of roads, with viewers' report; showing date, qualification and reports of viewers, precept to post notice, notice to viewers and petitioners, and recapitulation. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

65. ROADS NOW IN THE PROCESS OF CONSTRUCTION, 1929-32. 1 file box.

Documentary reports of roads under construction, showing date advertised, viewers' report and estimate of expenditures, precept to post report, notice to viewers', proof of publication, report of tax board on petitions, order to commissioners, and qualifications of viewers. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

66. ROADS COMPLETED, CURRENT ROADS, 1882--. 15 file boxes.

Documentary report of roads completed, showing date and proof of publication; names of petitioner, viewers, contractor, claimant, and remonstrator; viewers' report and estimate; notice to viewers; report of state board of account on petitions; contractor's bond

and bid; and amounts of claim, bond, and petitioners' estimate.

No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

67. COUNTY UNIT ROADS, 1915-30. 1 file box.

Report on construction of county line roads, showing dates of bid, advertisement, notice, bond, and acceptance of bid; proof of publication; transcript from foreign counties; notice to taxpayers; name of contractor; and sale of bond. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

68. LOCATION AND VACATION OF ROADS, 1930--. 1 file box.

Reports to vacate roads, showing date; names of petitioner and viewer; nature of petition, cause, and estimate; notice to viewers; order for appointing; and proof of publication. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

69. BRIDGE AND PUBLIC WORK SPECIFICATIONS, 1862-1907. 1 file box.

Specifications of bridges and public improvements, showing general specifications and estimates, nature of improvement, and location. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

70. (BRIDGES AND REPAIRS), 1929-32. 1 file box.

Plans and specifications for construction and repair of bridges, showing name and location of stream, estimate, date approved, and recapitulation. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

71. DITCH RECORD, 1879-33. 15 vols. (1-4, 1-10, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of procedure in hearings in ditch petitions, showing date of

meeting; names of petitioners, ditch, and viewers; minutes of board, description and location of lands; amounts of benefits, cost, and estimates; and action taken. Indexed alph. by names of ditches, and petitioners. 600 pp. 17 x 12 x 3. 4 vols., 1881-91, Clk. vt.; 11 vols., 1879-1933, Aud. vt.

72. VIEWER'S REPORT, 1902-3. 1 vol. 1904-- , missing.

Record of viewers' reports on ditches, showing date; names of viewers, petitioners and bond owner; location and specifications of ditch; description of lands assessed; and amount of damage, benefits, and assessments. No index. Typed. 300 pp. 14 x 9 x 1. Aud. vt.

73. WAUKARUSA DITCH REPORT, 1891-93. 1 vol.

Viewers' report of the Waukarusa Ditch, showing date; names of viewers, land owner, and plats; location and specifications of ditch; description of lands assessed; and proceedings of court. Indexed alph. by names of land owners. Hdw. 350 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 3/4. Aud. vt.

74. SCHEDULE (DITCH CONSTRUCTION), 1903. 2 vols. Sept. 7, 1903-- ,
missing.

Record of lands assessed for the James Gault Ditch, showing date; name of land owner; location and description of land; amounts of acres benefited, damages, assessments, and costs; and compensation for surveyor. No index. Hdw. 100 pp. 16 x 21 x 1/2. Aud. vt.

75. ESTIMATE OF ENGINEER ON FIVE MILE DITCHES, 1894-99.

2 file boxes.

Engineer's estimate and reports on five mile ditches, showing date,

name of ditch, reports of work performed in the allotment, and amount recommended for additional allowance. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

76. OLD CIRCUIT COURT CERTIFICATES, 1915-23. 1 file box. Certified copies of orders issued on petitions for ditches, showing name of contractor, amount allowed for construction of ditch, and proceedings of court. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

77. (DITCH ACTIONS PENDING IN CIRCUIT COURT), 1929-31. 2 file boxes.

Report of ditch construction pending action in circuit court, showing date; names of viewers, petitioners, and land owner; location, description, and amount of land assessed for construction of ditch; notice and amount of assessments; and proof of publication. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

78. DITCHES ESTABLISHED, 1876-1925. 19 file boxes (AB, BC, DE, FG, H, I, J, K, LM, N-Q, R, S, T-V, W, Y, and 4 file boxes not labeled).

Proposals for establishing ditches, showing date, viewers' reports, petitions for change, precept to post notice, notice to viewers, proof of publication, cost, and final reports. Indexed alph. by names of petitioners. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

79. TRUSTEE'S CERTIFICATE OF DITCH CLEANING, 1891-1935. 3 file boxes.

Trustees' certificates of expense for ditch cleaning, showing

date, names of ditch and township, location and description of lands, and amounts paid for repair and cleaning. No index.

13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

80. DITCHES REPAIRED, 1888-95. 2 file boxes (AL,MZ).

Copies of assessments for cleaning and repairing of ditches, showing date, name of land owner, location and description of lands, original and final assessments, and date and place of posting notice. Indexed alph. by names of ditches. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

81. DITCHES COMPLETED, 1923-31. 6 file boxes.

Reports of ditch completion, showing date, certificates of assessments and apportionment of payments, reports and petitions to the board, transcript of proceedings in acceptance, and amount of payments to land owners. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

82. SURVEYOR'S CERTIFICATE OF ALLOTMENT ON DITCHES, 1889-1906.

2 file boxes.

Surveyor's duplicate certificates of acceptance, and order to pay for ditches cleaned, and drained; showing date; duplicate number; names of land owner, contractor, township, and ditch; location and description of lands; and amount of assessment and costs. Arr. chron.

13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

II. COUNTY COUNCIL

In 1899 the legislature created the county council, to be known as "The White County Council". (1) This council consists of seven members who are elected for a term of four years and who must be qualified voters and resident freeholders of the county. One member is elected from each of the four councilmanic districts by the voters of the district, and three members are elected by the voters of the county at large. (2) The council elects its president from its membership and the auditor as its clerk is required to keep and preserve in his office a record of its proceedings. (3) The sheriff is required to execute the orders of the council. (4)

The regular annual meeting is held on the first Tuesday after the first Monday of September for the purposes of fixing the tax rate, of imposing the tax levy, and of making appropriations, and continues from day to day until its business is completed. Special meetings may be called by the auditor or a majority of the members. Sessions must be public. (5) Although a majority of the council constitutes a quorum, the passage of ordinances requires a majority of all members; (6) and extraordinary majorities are required by law in certain instances: a three-fourths vote to increase or insert an item in the budget estimates submitted by the county agencies through the auditor; (7) a two-thirds vote to make additional appropriations at special meetings. (8)

The power of fixing the tax rate for county purposes and for all purposes where it is not fixed by law and is required to be uniform

throughout the county, is vested exclusively in the council, likewise the power of making appropriations of money to be paid out of the county treasury. (9)

The council passes on all budget estimates submitted by county officials, (10) as well as emergency appropriations. (11)

The council has exclusive power to authorize the borrowing of money for the county and the issuing of bonds. (12) No sale or purchase by the county of real estate of the value of \$1,000 or more is made without authorization by the council. (13)

- The auditor, as clerk of the council, keeps a journal of its proceedings, and also keeps and preserves in his office its files and papers. (14)

All the records are located in the auditor's vault in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1899; Burns 26-501. | (7) Acts 1899; Burns 26-520. |
| (2) Acts 1899; Burns 26-502,
26-504; Acts 1907; Burns
26-505. | (8) Acts 1899, 1907, 1913, 1937;
Burns, 1937 suppl., 26-521. |
| (3) Acts 1899; 1931; Burns
26-507; Acts 1899; Burns
26-509. | (9) Acts 1899; Burns 26-515,
26-520. |
| (4) Acts 1899; Burns 26-510. | (10) Acts 1899; Burns 26-520. |
| (5) Acts 1899, 1931; Burns
26-507; Acts 1899; Burns
26-508. | (11) Acts 1899, 1907, 1913, 1937;
Burns, 1937 suppl., 26-521. |
| (6) Acts 1899; Burns 26-511. | (12) Acts 1899, 1912, 1929;
Burns 26-532. |
| | (13) Acts 1899; Burns 26-534. |
| | (14) Acts 1899; Burns 26-509. |

83. COUNTY COUNCIL RECORD, 1899--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Minutes of the proceedings of the county council, showing date and place of session, roll call of members, business transacted, and final action taken. Arr. chron. 1899-1900, 1922--, hdw.; Sept. 1901-21, typed. 440 pp. 13 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.

84. ORDINANCES OF COUNTY COUNCIL, 1899--. 4 file boxes.

Budgets of county officers and institutions, showing names of office, unit, and officials; proceedings of council in adjustment of estimates, final amounts allowed; and ordinances for tax levies to meet the budgeted amounts. Arr. chron. 10 x 13 x 4.

85. (COUNTY COUNCIL), 1909--. 4 file boxes.

Requests for additional amounts to the original appropriation, showing date of request; names of county unit, and official; amount required; and final action of the council. No index. 13 x 10 x 4.

86. (ESTIMATES), 1899--. 4 file boxes.

Estimate of expenses for supplies, salary, and clerical assistance; showing date, names of official and office, itemized list of supplies, assistance, and total estimate. No index. 13 x 10 x 4.

87. (ESTIMATES OF EXPENSE), 1909-31. In (Petitions and Estimates of Expenses), entry 21.

Budget estimate sheets of county officers, showing date of estimate, names of unit, and official. title of fund, itemized expenditures, totals for each fund, and grand total for all funds.

88. COUNTY COUNCIL OATHS, 1930--. 1 file box.

Oaths subscribed to by members of county council providing for faithful performance of duty, showing date sworn, names of official administering oath, and members of council, addresses, and tenure of office. No index. 10 x 4 x 13.

III. CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT

The clerk of the circuit court, commonly referred to as "county clerk", is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term, and not entitled to hold office for more than eight years in any twelve-year period. (1)

Prior to the Constitution of 1851, the office of clerk existed by virtue of the Constitution of 1816. (2) The inception date of this office in White County is 1834, the organization date of the county.

The clerk of the circuit court is required to keep a set of dockets and records for the court. (3) He also serves by statutory provisions, as clerk of all county courts.

In addition to his court duties, numerous other duties are imposed upon the clerk by statute. He serves ex officio as registration officer for the county (4) and as member and clerk of the county election boards. (5)

Other important duties of the clerk are the issuance of marriage licenses; (6) professional licenses, such as physicians', (7) dentists', (8) and optometrists; (9) hunting, trapping, and fishing licenses; (10) business licenses, such as poultry dealers' (11) and junk dealers'; (12) and, upon order of the circuit judge, permits to carry small firearms. (13) He approves, files, and keeps a record of the bonds of county and township officers, unless other provision is made by law, (14) and of notaries. (15) He is required to keep a register of trained nurses (16) and a record of certificates of firms and partnerships, doing business

under any name, designation, or title other than the real names of their members, (17) and he also records many legal instruments. (18)

The clerk is required to preserve in his office all records and writings pertaining to his official duties, to indorse the time of filing of all papers, and in addition to the records mentioned above, to keep all necessary judges', appearance, bar, judgment, and execution dockets; order and final record books; a complete record of all causes involving title to land, of all criminal causes for felony, and of all other cases upon request; (19) a cash book; (20) and a fee register. (21) Other records are specifically provided for by the laws assigning to him the duties outlined above.

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Const., art. 6, sec. 2;
2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-2701. | (12) Acts 1905; Burns 42-703. |
| (2) Const. 1816, art. 5,
sec. 8. | (13) Acts 1935, 1937; Burns,
1937 suppl., 10-4738. |
| (3) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-2706. | (14) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-105; Acts 1857; Burns
49-124; 2 Rev. Stat.
1852; Burns 49-2706. |
| (4) Acts 1933, 1935; Burns,
1937 suppl., 29-306. | (15) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts
1855; Burns 49-3503. |
| (5) Acts 1905, 1927; Burns 29-1401,
Acts 1915, 1917; Burns 29-504;
Acts 1899; Burns 29-1002. | (16) Acts 1905, 1913, 1931;
Burns 63-903. |
| (6) Acts 1852; Burns 44-201. | (17) Acts 1909; Burns 50-201,
50-202. |
| (7) Acts 1897, 1899; Burns
63-1302. | (18) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-2706. |
| (8) Acts 1913, 1931, 1935;
Burns, 1937 suppl., 63-504. | (19) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-2706. |
| (9) Acts 1907, 1935; Burns,
1937 suppl., 63-1011. | (20) Acts 1879 (Spc. Sess.);
Burns 49-2722. |
| (10) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937 suppl.,
11-1403. | (21) Acts 1879 (Spc. Sess.);
Burns 49-2723. |
| (11) Acts 1917, 1929, 1932 (Spc.
Sess.); Burns 42-802. | |

Official Bonds
(See also entries 461-65)

County

89. OFFICIAL BOND RECORD, 1865--. 4 vols. (2-5).

Vol. 1, prior to 1865, missing.

Record of official bonds of county officers, showing names of officer and surety; amount and provisions of bond; dates of approval and acceptance; and signatures of principal, surety, and clerk. Indexed alph. by names of officials. 1865-1910, hdw.; 1910--., typed. 16 x 11 x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$. Clk. vt.

Miscellaneous

90. REGISTER OF OFFICERS, 1834--. 5 vols.

Clerk's record of elected officials, showing date approved, names of officer and sureties, tenure of office, and amount of bond. Indexed alph. by names of officials. Hdw. 404 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. 3 vols., 1834-Feb. 29, 1896, attic stg. rm.; 2 vols., Mar. 16, 1896--., Clk. vt.

91. NOTARY BOND RECORD, 1904--. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of bonds filed by notaries public, showing names of principal and sureties, and amount and stipulations of bond. Indexed alph. by names of notaries. Hdw. 264 pp. 18 x 13 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. Clk. vt.

Licenses

Marriage (See also entries 526, 528)

92. MARRIAGE RECORD, 1834--. 21 vols. (3-21, and 2 vols. not numbered).

Record of applications for marriage licenses, showing date of application; and name, age, occupation, parentage, and birthplace of applicant. Indexed alph. by names of applicants.

Hdw. 500 pp. 16 x 12 x 1 3/4. Clk. vt.

93. APPLICATIONS FOR MARRIAGE LICENSES, 1900-1930. 11 file boxes.

Original application papers, showing date of application; and name, age, occupation, birthplace, nationality, and parentage of applicant. 1900-1930, arr. chron.; 1905-7, no index. 11 x 12 x 4. 9 file boxes, 1900-1930, Clk. vt.; 2 file boxes, 1905-7, attic stg. rm.

94. RECORD OF RETURNS OF MARRIAGES, 1882-1930. 8 vols.

Title varies: 1899-1915, Record of Marriages.

Record of marriage returns, showing date issued; names of bride, groom, and official performing marriage rites; and addresses, race, color, birthplaces, and previous marital status of couple. Indexed alph. by names of brides and grooms.

Hdw. 230 pp. 17 x 11 x 1 1/4. 1 vol., 1882-Mar. 31, 1887, attic stg. rm.; 7 vols., Feb. 1, 1882-1930, Clk. vt.

95. MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE RETURNS, 1859--. 12 file boxes.

Certificates of marriages returned by officials performing rites, showing date of ceremony; and names of bride, groom, witnesses, and official. Arr. chron. 10 x 13 x 4. 5 boxes, 1859-95, attic stg. rm.; 7 boxes, 1896--. Clk. vt.

Professional

96. PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE RECORD (AND VETERINARY LICENSES),
1885--. 2 vols. (1, 1).

Record of physician's and veterinarian's licenses. Contains:
Physician's License Record, entry 97; and Veterinarian License
Records, entry 98. Indexed alph. by names of applicants. Hdw.
300 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Clk. vt.

97. PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE RECORD, 1885--. In Physician's
License Record (And Veterinary Licenses), entry 96.

Record of license certificates issued to physicians, showing
date issued; statement of qualifications; name, address, age,
and place of birth of applicant; college attended; and branch of
medical or surgical practice.

98. VETERINARIAN'S LICENSE RECORD, 1901-5. In
Physician's License Record (And Veterinary Licenses),
entry 96.

Record of licenses issued to veterinarians, showing date, name of
applicant, location of practice, certificate of examination, and
signature of clerk.

99. (CLERK'S PAPERS), 1900-1924. 2 file boxes.

Files of clerk's papers. Contains: Physician's Certificates,
entry 100; Application for Junk Dealer's License, entry 104;
Applications for Poultry Dealer's License, entry 106; Venire for
Jurors, entry 241; Grand Jury Subpoenas, entry 242; and Trans-
scripts of Judgments, entry 181. No index. $10\frac{1}{2}$ x $4\frac{1}{2}$ x 13.
Clk. vt.

100. PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATES, 1900-1912. In Clerk's Papers, entry 99. 1901-8; 1910-11, missing.

Certificates from state board of medical registration and examination, showing name and address of physician, diploma rating, and eligibility.

101. DRUGLESS PHYSICIAN'S LICENSE RECORD, 1928--. 1 vol.

Record of registration of drugless physicians, showing name and residence of applicant, date of diploma, name of college attended, and date of grant. Indexed alph. by names of applicants. Hdw. 320 pp. 14 x 9 x 1½. Clk. vt.

102. OPTOMETRY RECORD, 1907--. 1 vol.

Record of licenses issued to optometrists, showing name, address, and qualifications of applicant; dates of diploma and of license granted; and certificate number. Arr. chron. Hdw. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. Clk. vt.

Business

103. JUNK DEALER'S LICENSE, 1905--. 2 vols: 1929-32, missing.

Original applications filed for license grants, showing name and address of applicant, date issued, territory desired and granted, and tenure of license. Arr. chron. Hdw. 200 pp. 14 x 10 x 3/4. Clk. vt.

104. APPLICATIONS FOR JUNK DEALERS' LICENSE, 1901-18.

In Clerk's Papers, entry 99. 1914-18, missing.

Original license applications of junk dealers, showing date,

name and business address of applicant, and location of business and territory desired.

105. RECORD OF POULTRY LICENSES, 1917--. 4 vols.

Record of applications for licenses to deal in poultry, showing name and business address of applicant, and dates of application and license. Indexed alph. by names of applicants. Hdw.

200 pp. 12 x 8 x 3/4. Clk. vt.

106. APPLICATION FOR POULTRY DEALER'S LICENSE, 1917-23.

In Clerk's Papers, Entry 99.

Original license applications, showing date of application, names of town and dealer, and business address of applicant.

107. APPLICATION FOR SIRES LICENSE, 1890-1917. 1 vol.

Record of applications for and grant of licenses to keep sires for breeding purposes, showing date of license; name and address of applicant; and name, date of birth, description, breeding, and pedigree of animal. Indexed alph. by names of owners. Hdw.

142 pp. 18 x 11 x 1. Clk. vt.

Hunting and Fishing

108. APPLICATIONS FOR HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES, 1920-

22. 1 file box.

Applications for licenses to hunt and fish within county limits, showing date of license; name, residence, and description of applicant; kind of license; and amount paid. No index.

10 x 13 x 4 1/2. Clk. vt.

109. (STUBS OF HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSES), 1925-31.

200 vols.

Stubs of hunting, fishing, and trapping licenses; issued; showing date issued; name, address, detailed physical description, and distinctive marks of applicant; and serial number of license.

No index. Hdw. 50 pp. 5 x 4 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

Certificates

Business

110. RECORD OF FIRMS AND COMPANY PARTNERSHIPS, 1909--.

1 vol. Subtitled: 1909-36, Firms; 1912-35,

Individuals.

Record of titles of firms and partnerships, showing date filed, names and addresses of members, abstract of partnership agreement, notice of dissolution, and proof of publication.

Indexed alph. by titles of partnerships and firms. Hdw.

220 pp. 16 x 11 x $1\frac{1}{4}$. Clk. vt.

111. APPLICATIONS FOR PERMITS TO CARRY CONCEALED WEAPONS,

1932--. 1 file box.

Applications for permits, showing dates of application and permit; name, residence, and description of applicant; description of weapon; reason for application; and approval of circuit court and county official. No index. 10 x 13 x $4\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

112. RECORD OF FIREARMS PERMITS, 1925-29. 1 vol.

Record of permits to carry concealed weapons, showing name, address,

age, and physical description of applicant; description of weapon; and purpose of application. Arr. chron. Hdw.

200 pp. 11 x 10 x 1. Clk. vt.

113. REGISTER OF INSURANCE CERTIFICATES, 1876-1921.

2 vols. (1, 1).

Record of permits to sell insurance within limits of county, showing name and certificate of agent, title of insurance company, home office of company, register of insurance, and company's certificate of authority. Indexed numerically. Hdw.

280 pp. 16 x 11 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

114. INSURANCE PAPERS, 1899-1919. 6 file boxes.

Insurance agents' certificates of authority to sell insurance within the county, showing name of agent, title of company, financial rating, and financial statement. Arr. chron.

10 x 13 x $4\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

115. PATENT RIGHTS, 1869-1901. 1 file box.

Abstracts of patent rights granted by U. S. Patent Office, showing date granted; name, residence, and age of patentee; and description of invention. Arr. chron. 12 x 10 x 4.

Attic stg. rm.

116. APPOINTMENT TO DEPUTIES, 1903--. 1 file box.

Certificates of appointments of deputies by county officers, showing name and residence of deputy, oath of fealty, and signatures of deputy and clerk. No index. 10 x 13 x 4.

Clk. vt.

Registers

117. REGISTER OF TRAINED NURSES, 1906--. 1 vol.

Record of trained nurses, showing name and residence of applicant, and dates of license and registration. Indexed alph. by names of nurses. Hdw. 78 pp. 9 x 8 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

118. ESTRAY RECORD, 1858-1919. 1 vol.

Record of domestic animals found estray, showing type, description, age, and appraised value of stock; and names of appraiser, finder, and officer to whom reported. Arr. alph. by names of finders. Hdw. 496 pp. 15 x 11 x 2. Attic stg. rm.

119. ESTRAY REPORTS, 1851-92. 1 file box.

Reports filed by owners of stock estray, showing type, breed, age, and description of stock; and name and address of owner. No index. 8 x 10 x 4. Attic stg. rm.

120. POWER OF ATTORNEY, 1895--. 2 file boxes.

Papers conferring powers of attorney, showing names of principal and agent, scope and limitation of power granted, and revocation and attest. No index. 9 x 8 x $7\frac{1}{2}$. 1 box, 1871-1901, attic stg. rm.; 1 box, 1895-33, Clk. vt.

Military Records

(See also entries 146, 468)

121. LISTS OF SOLDIERS AND SAILORS, 1919-20. 1 file box.

Lists of U. S. soldiers and sailors living in county, showing name, age, and address of enrollee; dates of enlistment

and discharge; company and regiment numbers; and extent of service.

No index. 10 x 13 x 4. Clk. vt.

Receipts and Disbursements

122. CLERK'S DAILY BALANCE AND CASH STATEMENT, 1920--.

12 vols.

Record of cash and balances, showing date, names of depository and fund, day's receipts or disbursements, balance at end of day, and cash in depositories. Arr. chron. Hdw. 320 pp.

10 x 9 x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. 1920-Dec. 18, 1928, attic stg. rm.; Dec. 19, 1928--,
Clk. vt.

123. CASH BOOK OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1871--.

9 vols. (1-6 and 3 vols. not numbered).

Record of daily cash transactions, showing date, receipt or warrant number, name of payer or payee, amount received or disbursed, and total. Arr. chron. Hdw. 482 pp. 19 x 18 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.
6 vols., 1871-Nov. 4, 1926, attic stg. rm.; 3 vols., Nov.-1, 1926--,
Clk. vt.

Maps

124. LAKE SHAFER AND LAKE FREEMAN, not dated. 1 map.

Tourists' map of Shafer and Freeman Lakes, showing parks, hotels, tourists' camps, reserves, farms, springs, beaches, and bridges. Printed, black and white. No scale given.
18 x 4. Shf. off.

IV. RECORDER

The recorder is a constitutional officer elected for a term of four years and is required to post bond. (1) No person is eligible to hold the office of recorder for more than eight years in any twelve-year period. (2)

Prior to the Constitution of 1851, the office of recorder existed by virtue of the Constitution of 1816. (3) The inception date of this office in White County is 1834, the organization date of the county.

The title of this officer describes his functions: To make and preserve a public record of legal documents which by law he is bound to record, for both county officials and private persons. (4) Of the manykinds of instruments recorded the more important are: Deeds, mortgages, and apprentices' indentures, (5) satisfactions, cancelations, and assignments of any kind, (6) mechanics' liens, (7) and leases. (8)

Other documents of which the recorder is required to keep a record are: Articles of incorporation filed in his office, (9) certificates of admission for foreign corporations to do business in Indiana, (10) cemetery deeds, (11) cemetery associations, (12) farm names, (13) and chattel mortgages. (14)

The forms and methods to be used by the recorder are described in detail in the statutes. In addition to the records enumerated above, he must keep a fee book and a cash book, and enter therein, as received, all money received by his office. (15) He is also

required to index his records, both in each volume and in complete or general indexes. (16)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1901; Burns 3201. | (9) Acts 1929; Burns 25-219. |
| (2) Const., art. 6, sec. 2. | (10) Acts 1929; Burns 25-305. |
| (3) Const. 1816, art. 11, sec. 10. | (11) Acts 1925; Burns 21-223. |
| (4) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1925; Burns 49-3205. | (12) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 25-1520. |
| (5) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-3210. | (13) Acts 1913; Burns 49-3226. |
| (6) Acts 1905; Burns 49-3203. | (14) Acts 1935; Burns, 1937 suppl., 51-510. |
| (7) Acts 1909; Burns 43-703. | (15) Acts 1895; Burns 49-1401. |
| (8) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1875, 1913, 1921, 1932; Burns 56-119. | (16) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-3209, 49-3217 to 49-3220; 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1855; Burns 49-3216. |

Deeds, Titles, and Grants

125. DEED RECORD, 1833--. 126 vols. (A-H, 9-124, 2 vols. each of 17, 70).

Record of deeds, showing dates delivered and recorded, names of grantee and grantor, description of land, amount of consideration, conditions, covenants, mode of payments, and attest. Indexed alph. by names of grantees and grantors. 1833-July 9, 1904, hdw.; July 10, 1904--., typed. 1584 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Recr. vt.

126. GENERAL INDEX OF DEEDS, 1833--. 20 vols. (1-20).

Index to deeds, showing date, names of grantor and grantee, description of property, and book and page number of Deed Record. Indexed alph. by names of grantees and grantors. Hdw. 640 pp. 20 x 15 x 3. Recr. vt.

127. (QUIT CLAIM DEEDS), 1878--. 6 file boxes.

Quit claim deeds, showing date of recording, names of grantor and grantee, consideration, description and location of property, covenants, acceptance, and stipulations. No index. Condition fair. 5 x 5 x 10. Recr. off.

128. (DEEDS AND LAND PATENTS), 1844-1935. 27 file boxes.

Instruments left for recording. Contains: Warranty Deeds, entry 129; Land Patents, entry 152. No index. 5 x 5 x 10. Recr. off.

129. WARRANTY DEEDS, 1844--. In (Deeds and Land Patents), entry 128.

Warranty deeds, showing date recorded, names of grantor and grantee, page number of deed record, consideration, description and location of property, stipulations, payment schedule, and acceptance.

130. QUIET TITLE RECORD, 1912--. 1 vol.

Record of the proceedings in amending clauses in titles and withdrawals of complaints thereto, showing date of action, names of plaintiff and defendant, nature of cause, and record of disposal of cases. Indexed alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Typed. 506 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. vt.

131. (WABASH-ERIE CANAL LAND GRANTS), 1824-48. 1 file box.

Record of sections of land granted by the Federal Government in canal grants, showing date; name of conveyor; description, location, and value of land; section number; stipulations; and considerations. No index. 15 x 10 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. vt.

132. TRACT BOOK, 1836-52. 2 vols.

Record of tracts of land in county, showing dates of entry and patent, receipt and certificate numbers, name of purchaser, kind of land, and volume and page numbers of recording entry. No index. Hdw. 498 pp. 10 x 11 x 2. Recr. vt.

133. INDEX TO TOWN PLATS, LAKE, CEMETERIES, SCHOOLS, ADDITIONS,
not dated. 6 pages.

Index to original town plats, additions, and subdivisions, showing date recorded; names of town, city, or village; description and location; and volume and page numbers of record. No index. 14 x 8½. Recr. vt.

Mortgages, Assignments, and Releases

Real Estate134. MORTGAGE RECORD, REAL AND CHATTEL MORTGAGE RECORD,
1848--. 145 vols. (A-Z, 25-145). Title varies:
Real and Chattel Mortgage Record.

Record of real estate and chattel mortgages, showing date, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, description of property and chattels, condition of obligation, and release. Indexed alph. by names of mortgagors and mortgagees. 1848-Aug. 11, 1904, hdw.; Aug. 12, 1904--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 2½. Recr. vt.

135. GENERAL INDEX OF MORTGAGES, 1836--. 15 vols. (1-14, 16).
Index to entry 134, showing date, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, city or town, township, range, description and location of property,

and volume and page numbers of record. Indexed alph. by names of mortgagors and mortgagees. Hdw. 640 pp. 20 x 15 x 3. Recr. vt.

Chattels

136. CHATTEL MORTGAGE MINUTE BOOK, 1935--. 1 vol.

Record of chattel mortgages, showing date recorded, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, number of instrument, amount, and release.

Indexed alph. by names of mortgagors. Hdw. 600 pp. 18" x 13 x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. vt.

137. GENERAL INDEX OF CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1925--. 2 vols.

(1-2).

Index to chattel mortgages, showing date, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, description and location of chattels, amount, value, and volume and page numbers of record. Indexed alph. by names of mortgagees. Hdw. 640 pp. 20 x 15 x 3. 1 vol., 1925-May 27, 1933, Recr. vt.; 1 vol., May 28, 1933--., Recr. off.

For prior records, see entry 135.

138. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1935--. 24 file boxes.

Original chattel mortgages, showing dates recorded and due, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, description and location of chattels, amount, conditions, and release. For index, see entry 137. 10 x 4 x 14. Recr. vt.

139. (MORTGAGES AND RELEASES), 1824-1932. 7 file boxes.

Instruments left for recording. Contains: Chattel Mortgages, entry 140; Mortgage Releases, entry 142. No index. 5 x 5 x 10. Recr. off.

140. CHATTEL MORTGAGES, 1886-1903. In (Mortgages and Releases), entry 139.

Chattel mortgages recorded but uncalled for, showing date of recording, names of mortgagee and mortgagor, location and description of chattel, amount, and release.

141. CHATTEL MORTGAGE RECEIPTS, 1935--. 1 vol.

Record of receipts given mortgagee for fee charges, showing date, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, receipt number, hour of day, and amount of mortgage. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 300 pp. 17 x 10 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. off.

Assignments and Releases

142. MORTGAGE RELEASE, 1867-1932. In (Mortgages and Releases), entry 139.

Mortgage releases uncalled for, showing date of release, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount, and volume and page numbers of record.

Liens

143. RECORD OF SIRES' LIENS, 1892--. 1 vol.

Record of liens for sire services, showing date; names of owners, sire, and mare; amount and guarantee of get; contract; amount of lien due; and certificate of satisfaction. Indexed alph. by names of owners of mares and sires. Hdw. 584 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. vt.

144. RECORD OF MECHANICS' LIENS, 1856-77. 1 vol.

Record of liens on personal and real property, with bills of particulars, showing date recorded, names of lienholder and owner, lien number, notice of intention, amount, and date satisfied. Indexed alph. by names of owners and lienholders.

Hdw. 400 pp. 15 x 12 x 1 3/4. Recr. vt.

For subsequent records, see entry 153.

Register of Legal Instrumentos

145. ENTRY BOOK, 1834--. 15 vols. (3-22, and 1 vol. not numbered). Vols. 1, 2, 4, 5, 9, 10, missing.

Record of instruments recorded, showing date of entry, names of parties filing, type of instrument, volume and page reference, consideration, and fee attached. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 420 pp. 14 x 10 x 1 1/2. 14 vols., 1834-Feb. 24, 1934, Recr. vt.; 1 vol., Feb. 25, 1934--., Recr. off.

146. RECORD OF HONORABLY DISCHARGED SOLDIERS AND SAILORS, 1865--. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of discharges from service, showing date; service record; name, age, color, race, and occupation of enrollee; term of enlistment; and reason for discharge. Indexed alph. by names of enrollees. 1865-Apr. 21, 1923, hdw.; Apr. 22, 1923--., typed. 588 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Recr. vt.

For other military records, see entries 121, 468.

147. AFFIDAVIT RECORD, 1897--. 4 vols. (A, J, L, 4).

Vols. 1-3, prior to 1897, missing.

Record of affidavits, including deeds, oaths of office, address, liens, powers of attorney, claims, and oil leases, showing date taken; names of affiants, deponents, and notaries; fact sworn to; and kind of instrument. Indexed alph. by names of parties of first and second parts. 1897-1924, hdw.; 1925--, typed. 590 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Recr. vt.

148. POWER OF ATTORNEY RECORD, 1877--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of appointments as power of attorney, showing date of grant; names of principal, agent, and attorney; powers and particular performances granted; duration; causes for revocation; and business address. Indexed alph. by names of principals and agents. Hdw. 420 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$. Recr. vt.

149. INHERITANCE TAX RECORD, 1914--. 1 vol.

Record of inheritance taxes paid, showing date assessed; names of administrator, decedent, and legatees; description and location of property; value of estate; inheritance and transfer tax assessed; exemptions; tax pro-rated to heirs; assets and liabilities; appraised value; and total tax levied. Arr. chron. Hdw. 200 pp. 18 x 18 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. vt.

For other inheritance tax records, see entries 226, 309.

150. FARM NAME REGISTER, 1913-30. 1 vol.

Record of farm names recorded, showing date; name of owner; and name, description, and location of farm. Indexed alph. by names of owners and farms. Hdw. 320 pp. 18 x 13 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. Recr. vt.

151. MARKS AND BRANDS, 1834-90. 1 vol.

Record of marks and brands of live stock, showing date, name of owner, and description of marks and brands. Indexed alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 375 pp. 13 x 9 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. vt.

152. LAND PATENTS, 1849-54. In (Deeds and Land Patents), entry 128.

Patents to land issued by the Federal Government, showing dates granted and recorded, names of grantor and grantee, description and location of lands, covenants, conditions, and depositions.

Miscellaneous Records

153. MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS, 1855--. 12 vols. (A-F, H-I, K, M-O).

Miscellaneous records composed of receivers' reports of sales, leases, mechanics' liens, and other instruments, showing date, names of parties to action, location and description of property, and kind of instrument. Indexed alph. by names of parties of first and second parts. 1855-May 26, 1921, hdw.; May 27, 1921--, typed. 422 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Recr. vt.

Fee and Cash Books

154. FEE AND CASH BOOK, 1903--. 11 vols. (1-11).

Record of fees collected by recorder, showing date of payment, name of payer, amount for each instrument recorded, amount due, and total collections. No index. Hdw. 400 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Recr. vt.

Maps

155. WHITE COUNTY, 1908. 1 map.

Communications map, showing streets, alleys, roads, and highways in county. Drawn by A. R. Orton. Colored and mounted. Scale not given. 45 x 40. Recr. off.

156. WHITE COUNTY, 1935. 1 map.

Communications map, showing townships, ranges, sections, rivers, and railroads. Drawn by Sikko R. Swartz, of Monticello. Blueprint. Scale not given. 28 x 31. Recr. off.

157. WHITE COUNTY, CITIES AND TOWNS, 1931. 7 maps.

Physical maps, showing original plats, additions, and subdivisions. Drawn by Samuel Young, of Monticello. Blueprint. Scale: 1" to 200'. 46 x 28. Recr. off.

V. CIRCUIT COURT

The circuit court was created by the Constitution of 1816, and re-created by the Constitution of 1851. (1) The judge of the circuit court is elected by the voters of the circuit and serves for a term of six years. (2) The State of Indiana, by mandate of the Constitution of 1816, (3) was at first divided into three circuits by the legislature, and since that time the number of circuits has been increased as the need arose until at present there are seventy-eight--only fourteen circuits embrace two counties. (4) The thirty-ninth circuit comprises White County, (5) and the court is styled "White County Circuit Court." (6)

The court has original exclusive jurisdiction in law, equity, and criminal cases, actions for divorce, and settlement of decedents' estates and guardianships, except as concurrent jurisdiction has been conferred by law upon justices of the peace and the criminal and superior courts. It has such appellate jurisdiction as may be conferred by law. It has also jurisdiction in all other causes, matters, and proceedings, except where exclusive jurisdiction has been conferred upon some other court, board, or officer. (7)

In 1829 the legislature created a probate court which became effective in White County upon its organization in 1834. This court had original and exclusive jurisdiction of all probate matters in the county. The clerk of the circuit court acted as clerk

for the probate court. (8)

By an act of 1852 the legislature abolished the probate court (9) and created a court of common pleas to serve White County. The clerk of the circuit court acted as clerk of the court of common pleas. (10) The court of common pleas had original and exclusive jurisdiction of probate cases. (11)

The legislature in 1873 abolished the court of common pleas and transferred its jurisdiction to the circuit court; (12) and all the records of the common pleas court were transferred to the circuit court. (13)

The clerk of the circuit court is charged by statute with the duty of keeping and preserving the official records of the circuit court. (14)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Const. 1816, art. 5, secs. 1, 3, 7; Const., art. 7, sec. 1. | (7) Const., art. 7, sec. 8; Acts 1881 (Spc. Sess.); Burns 4-303. |
| (2) Const., art. 7, sec. 9; Burns 4-301. | (8) Acts 1828-29, pt. 2, ch. 26, secs. 1-3, 5, 8. |
| (3) Const., 1816, art. 5, sec. 3. | (9) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852, ch. 8, sec. 43. |
| (4) Burns 4-332; Burns, 1937 suppl., 4-332. | (10) Ibid., sec. 1, 3, 25. |
| (5) Acts 1911; Burns 4-332. | (11) Ibid., sec. 4. |
| (6) Acts 1881 (Spc. Sess.); Burns 4-302. | (12) Acts 1873, ch. 29, secs. 21, 79-80. |
| | (13) Ibid., sec. 81. |
| | (14) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2706. |

Civil Causes
(See also entry 284)

158. (CIRCUIT COURT CASES), 1835--. 375 file boxes (1-375).

Legal papers of cases. Contains: Civil cases, entry 159; State Cases, entry 200. For index, see entry 160. $10\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 13$.

Clk. vt.

159. CIVIL CASES, 1835--. In Circuit Court Cases, entry 158.

Record of cases in civil court, showing trial date; names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, and witnesses; cause; case number; issue; proceedings; and judgment and cost awards.

160. INDEX TO VAULT(FILE BOXES), not dated. 2 vols. (1-2).

Index to file boxes, showing file box number, and names of parties to action in court. Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants.

Hdw. 600 pp. $18 \times 12 \times 3$. Clk. vt.

161. AFFIDAVITS OF PLAINTIFF'S RESIDENCE, WHITE CIRCUIT COURT,
1897-1903, 1 vol.

Record of affidavits of residences of plaintiffs, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, clerk, and attorney; firm name of attorney; court term; and signatures of attorney and clerk.

Arr. chron. Hdw. 304 pp. $18 \times 12 \times 1\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

162. RECEIVER'S RECORD, 1924-35. 1 vol. Title varies;
Statement of Assets, Liabilities, and Claims.

Record of receivers' statements in bankruptcy cases, showing date of statement; names of bankrupt firm, trial judge, and receiver; cause and case numbers; and itemized lists of assets and liabilities.

Indexed alph. by names of receivers. Typed. 600 pp. $18 \times 12 \times 3$.

Clk. vt.

Sanity Cases

163. RECORD OF INSANE, 1873--. 4 vols. (1-3, and 1 vol. not numbered). Title varies: Insane Record.

Record of commitment of insane to asylum, showing date, name of patient, reports of medical attendant and examiner, certificate of justice of peace, admission order, warrant of arrest, superintendent's receipt, return of sheriff on commitment, order of discharge, and report of sheriff on return on warrant. Arr. alpn. by names of patients. Hdw. 375 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

164. INSANITY INQUESTS, 1902--. 4 file boxes.

Transcripts of testimony inquests of persons judged insane, showing date, name and address of patient, names of relatives and examiners, case history, history of insanity in family, and statement and report of physician. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

Naturalization Cases

165. NATURALIZATION RECORD, PETITION AND RECORD, 1868-1928.
3 vols. (3, and 2 vols. not numbered).

Record of petitions for naturalization papers, showing dates of certificate, of arrival, and petition; names of applicant and witnesses; ports of embarkment and entry; age, color, race, and address; and order of admission or denial of citizenship. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 200 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

166. NATURALIZATION PAPERS, 1860-94. 5 file boxes.

Record of declaration of intention to take up permanent residence in the United States, showing dates of declaration and arrival,

statement of intention to renounce allegiance and fidelity to foreign government; names of applicant and native country; and age, color, sex, and present address of applicant. No index. Condition fair. 8 x 4 x 10. Attic stg. rm.

Civil Proceedings

Entry (see also entries 203-5, 255-56)

167. ENTRY DOCKET, ISSUE DOCKET, AND FEE BOOK, 1919--.

19 vols. (1-19).

Record of entries, issues, and costs in court cases. Contains: Entry Docket, Issue Docket, and Fee Book, Civil, entry 168; Entry Docket, Issue Docket, and Fee Book, Criminal, entry 203. Indexed alpn. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. 17 vols, 1919-35, Clk. vt.; 2 vols., 1935--., Clk. off.

168. ENTRY DOCKET, ISSUE DOCKET, AND FEE BOOK, CIVIL, 1919--.

In Entry Docket, Issue Docket, and Fee Book, entry 167.

Record of entries, issues, and costs of civil cases, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, court proceedings and issues, fees of clerk and sheriff, writs issued, publication, miscellaneous fees, order book and page numbers, and receipts of clerk and sheriff.

169. ENTRY DOCKET, 1852-1919. 9 vols. (1-8, and 1 vol. not numbered). Title varies: Circuit Court Docket.

Entry cases in court. Contains: Entry Docket, Civil, entry 170; Entry Docket, Criminal, entry 204. Arr. by case nos. Hdw. 600 pp. 16 x 11 x 3. Clk. vt.

For subsequent records, see entry 167.

170. ENTRY DOCKET, CIVIL, 1852-1919. In Entry Docket, entry 169.
Entry of civil cases in court, showing date of trial; issuance of writ; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; and cause.

171. ISSUE DOCKET, 1847-90. 17 vols. (6, 10-13, 16-21, and 6 vols. not numbered). 1864-71, missing.

Issues of cases. Contains: Issue Docket, Civil, entry 172; Issue Docket, Criminal, entry 205. Arr. chron. Hdw. 30 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. Attic stg. rm.

172. ISSUE DOCKET, CIVIL, 1847-90. In Issue Docket, entry 171.
Record of issues in civil cases, showing date of trial, names of plaintiff and defendant, action, pleadings, cause, and proceedings. Arr. chron. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. Attic stg. rm.

Trial (see also entries 206-7, 257)

173. ORDER BOOK, 1934--. 78 vols. (1-78).

Order Book. Contains: Order Book, Civil, entry 174; Order Book, Criminal, entry 206. Indexed alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. 1835-1902, ndw.; 1902-, typed. 600 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

174. ORDER BOOK, CIVIL, 1834--.

Record of civil cases, showing date of trial; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; issues; proceedings of court; and general and final orders.

175. INDEX TO ORDER BOOKS, not dated. 2 vols.

Index to Order Book. Contains: Order Book Index, Civil, entry 136;

Order Book Index, Criminal, entry 207. Arr. alpn. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 200 pp. 17 x 11 x 34. Clk. vt.

176. ORDER BOOK, (CIVIL INDEX), not dated. In Index to Order Books, entry 175.

Index to circuit court order book, showing page and cause numbers, and names of plaintiff and defendant.

Dispositions (see also entries 208-10, 258-59)

177. JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1838--. 17 vols. (1-16, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Judgment Dockets. Contains: Judgment Docket, Civil, entry 178; Judgment Docket, Criminal, entry 208. Arr. alpn. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 610 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 12 vols., 1838-1903, attic stg. rm.; 5 vols., 1903--, Clk. vt.

178. JUDGMENT DOCKET, CIVIL, 1838--. In Judgment Docket, entry 173.

Record of judgments entered by circuit court, showing date of judgment; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorney; cause; and judgment and costs awarded.

179. GENERAL INDEX TO JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1870--. 4 vols.

General index to Judgment Dockets. Contains: General Index to Judgment Docket, Civil, entry 180; General Index to Judgment Docket, Criminal, entry 209. Arr. alpn. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 500 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

180. GENERAL INDEX TO JUDGMENT DOCKET, CIVIL, 1870--. In

General Index to Judgment Dockets, entry 179.

General index to judgment docket, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and judgment debtor; page and volume numbers; and judgment and costs awarded. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

181. TRANSCRIPTS OF JUDGMENTS, 1903--. 4 file boxes. In

Clerk's Papers, entry 99.

Transcripts of judgments rendered by circuit court, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, cause, amount of judgment, proceedings, and affidavits of person making transcript. 13 x 10 x $4\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. off.

182. COMPLETE RECORD, 1850--. 29 vols. (3-30, and 1 vol.

not numbered).

Complete Record. Contains: Complete Record, Civil, entry 183; Complete Record, Criminal, entry 210. Arr. alpn. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. 1844-1901, ndw.; 1901--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

183. COMPLETE RECORD, CIVIL, 1850--. In Complete Record,

entry 182.

Complete record of cases, showing date of trial; names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, and witnesses; cause; issue; pleadings; writ issued; general and final orders; judgments; and final settlements. Arr. alpn. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. 1844-Mar. 1, 1901, ndw.; Mar. 1, 1901--, typed. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

Executions (see also entries 260-62, 274-79)

184. EXECUTION DOCKET, CIRCUIT COURT, 1870--. 21 vols. (4-24).

Vols. 1-3, missing.

Record of executions of judgments, showing date of writ; names of trial judge, judgment debtor, and officer serving writ; amounts of fees and costs awarded; and return made on writ of execution.

Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 588 pp.

18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$. Clk. vt.

185. PRAECIPE BOOK, 1887-1933. 3 vols. 1896-1900, missing.

Title varies: Precipe Book, White Circuit Court.

Record of precipes issued to clerk for writs of summons and subpoenas, showing date of writ; names of witness, plaintiff, defendant, and judge; cause number; and return made by process server. Arr. chron. Hdw. 250 pp. 8 x 8 x $1\frac{1}{4}$. Clk. vt.

186. PRECIPE, 1871-1915. 1 file box.

Certificates of precipes issued, showing date issued; names of witnesses, plaintiff and defendant, trial judge, and attorneys; cause number; and return made by officer. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

187. ORDER FOR EXECUTIONS, 1912--. 2 vols.

Record of court orders issued to attorneys for judgment creditor for executions of judgments, showing dates of judgment and writ; names of judgment creditor and debtor, trial judge, and attorneys; cause; and book and page numbers of order book. Arr. chron. Hdw. 300 pp. 14 x 9 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

188. EXECUTIONS, 1852--. 45 file boxes.

Execution papers in judgments, showing dates of trial, judgment, and execution; names of trial judge, plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; cause; issues; proceedings; amounts of judgment and costs awarded; writs; orders issued; and return made by officer serving writ. Arr. chron. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

For other records, see entry 262.

189. EXECUTIONS, 1858--. 38 file boxes.

Executions, decrees, and fee bill papers. Contains: Executions, entry 190; Decrees, entry 191; Fee Bills, entry 247. No index. 2 boxes, 8 x 4 x 10; 36 boxes, 10 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 13. 2 file boxes, 1895-99, attic stg. rm.; 36 file boxes, 1858--, Clk. vt.

190. EXECUTIONS, 1858--. In Executions, entry 189.

Papers in executions of judgments, showing dates issued and served; names of judgment creditor and debtor, trial judge, attorneys, and process server; judgment and cost awarded; report of return of writ; execution; and order and fee book references.

191. DECREES, 1858--. In Executions, entry 189.

Decrees in actions for foreclosures of mortgages and collateral and judgment notes; showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, decree number, court proceedings, and action taken.

192. LIS PENDENS RECORD, WHITE CIRCUIT COURT, 1877--. 2 vols.

(1-2).

Record of cases in lis pendens suits, showing date of action; names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, and witnesses; cause; issues;

location and description of property; conveyance in action; and costs awarded. Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants.

Hdw. 303 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Clk. vt.

193. LIS PENDENS RECORD, SHERIFF'S NOTICES, 1877-1933.

1 vol.

Record of attachments and levies on real estate, showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, kind of writ, location and description of property, and certificate of satisfaction. Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 264 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

194. TRANSCRIPTS TO BIND REAL ESTATE, 1868-1910. 6 file boxes.

Transcripts of complete proceedings involved in mortgage foreclosure cases, showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, complaint, proceedings and action, fees, order book and fee book pages, judgment docket reference, and attest. Arr. chron.
8 x 4 x 10. Attic stg. rm.

195. SHERIFF'S CERTIFICATE OF SALES RECORD, 1881--. 4 vols.

(1-4).

Record of sheriffs' certificates of sales of property on court order, showing date of sale, names of judgment debtor and creditor, amounts of judgment and sale, description and location of property, and return made by sheriff. Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 348 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$. Clk. vt.

196. CERTIFICATE OF SALE, 1899-1914. 1 file box.

Certificates of sales of real estate by sheriff for satisfaction of judgments, showing dates of publication and sale; names of sheriff,

plaintiff, defendant, and purchaser; amounts of judgment and sale; and description of property. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

197. CERTIFICATE OF REDEMPTION, 1888-1911. 1 file box.

1889-1908, missing.

Certificates of redemption of real estate, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, dates sold and recorded, cause, judgment, amount, description and location of property, and amount of redemption. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

198. SHERIFF'S CERTIFICATES REDEEMED AND COPIES RECORDED,

1872-94. 3 file boxes.

Certificates of sales and redemption recorded, showing dates of sale and redemption; names of sheriff, plaintiff, defendant, and purchaser; amounts of judgment, interest, and sale; property description; and sheriff's return. Arr. chron. 8 x 4 x 10. Attio stg. rm.

199. SUPPORT DOCKET, 1912--. 1 vol.

Record of cases in non support charges, showing date of trial; names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, and witnesses; amounts of claims and award; decree; and receipts and disbursements. Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 600 pp. 16 x 12 x 3. Clk. vt.

Criminal Causes

200. STATE CASES, 1836--. In Circuit Court Cases, entry 158.

Record of state cases, showing trial date; names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, and witnesses; case number; cause; issues; proceedings; judgments; and costs awarded.

201. RECORD OF INDICTMENTS CIRCUIT COURT, 1855-87.

3 vols. (2, and 2 vols. not numbered).

Record of indictments, showing date returned; names of plaintiff, defendant, witnesses, trial judge, and jury foreman; true bill; description of crime; material facts; and signature of foreman.

Indexed alph. by names of parties to causes. Hdw. 500 pp.

15 x 10 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

202. INDICTMENTS, 1882-1910. In(Affidavits and Indictments),
entry 486.

Indictments returned by grand jury, showing date of indictment, names of defendant and witnesses, case number, nature of crime, and indictment record. No index. 10 x 4 x 13.

Court Proceedings

Entry (see also entries 167-72, 255-56)

203. ENTRY DOCKET, ISSUE DOCKET, AND FEE BOOK, CRIMINAL,
1919--. In Entry Docket, Issue Docket, and Fee Book,
entry 167.

Record of entries, issues, and costs of criminal cases, showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, issues, court decision, itemized fees of clerk and sheriff, writs issued, publication, miscellaneous fees, book and page numbers, and receipts of clerk and sheriff.

204. ENTRY DOCKET, CRIMINAL, 1852-1919. In Entry Docket,
entry 169.

Entry of criminal cases in court, showing dates of entry and trial;

names of plaintiff, defendant and attorneys; cause; and writs issued.

205. ISSUE DOCKET, CRIMINAL, 1847-90. In Issue Docket, entry 171.

Record of issues in criminal cases, showing date of trial; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; action; pleadings; cause; and proceedings.

Trial (see also entries 173-76, 257)

206. ORDER BOOK, CRIMINAL, 1834-1937. In order Book, entry 173.

Record of criminal cases, showing date of trial; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; issue; proceedings of court; and general and final orders.

207. ORDER BOOK INDEX, (CRIMINAL), In (Index Order Book), entry 175.

Index to order book, showing date of entry, case and cause numbers, and page and volume references.

Dispositions (see also entries 177-83, 258-59)

208. JUDGMENT DOCKET, CRIMINAL, 1838--. In Judgment Docket, entry 177.

Record of judgments entered by circuit court, showing date of judgment; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; cause; and judgment and costs awarded.

209. GENERAL INDEX TO JUDGMENT DOCKET, CRIMINAL, 1870--.

In General Index to Judgment Docket, entry 179.

General index to criminal judgment docket, showing names of plaintiff, defendant, and judgment debtor; page and volume numbers; and judgment and costs awarded.

210. COMPLETE RECORD, CRIMINAL, 1850--. In Complete Record, entry 182.

Complete record of cases, showing date of trial, names of plaintiff, defendant, attorney, and witnesses; cause; issue; pleadings; writs issued; general and final orders; and judgments and settlements.

Probate Causes

The probate court of White County was established in 1830, under a law of 1829, which placed probate matters in a separate court, consisting of one judge, elected by the voters of the county for a term of seven years. It had original and exclusive jurisdiction in matters relating to probate of wills; granting letters of administration; settlement of decedent's estates; appointment of guardians for minors and persons of unsound mind; and approval of bonds of guardians, administrators, and executors. (1)

The clerk of the circuit court acted as clerk of the probate court and was required to keep the records of the probate court separate from those of the circuit court. (2)

By an act of 1852 the legislature abolished the probate court (3)

and created a court of common pleas for White County. The clerk of the circuit court acted as clerk of the court of common pleas. (4) The court of common pleas had original and exclusive jurisdiction of probate causes. (5)

The legislature in 1873 abolished the court of common pleas and transferred its jurisdiction to the circuit court, (6) and all the records of the court of common pleas were transferred to the circuit court. (7)

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| (1) Acts 1828-29, pt. 2,
ch. 26, secs. 1-2, 5, 8. | (4) Ibid., secs. 1, 3, 25, |
| (2) Ibid., sec. 3. | (5) Ibid., sec. 4. |
| (3) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852, ch. 8,
secs. 43. | (6) Acts 1873, ch. 29, secs. 21,
79-80. |
| | (7) Ibid., sec. 81. |

211. (GUARDIANSHIPS AND ESTATES), 1850--. 181 file boxes.

Papers to estate and guardianship papers. Contains: Guardianship, entry 212; Estates, 214. No index. $10\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 13$. Clk. vt.

212. GUARDIANSHIPS, 1850--, In (Guardianships and Estates),
entry 211.

Guardianship papers, showing date of appointment, name and age of ward, names of guardian and surety, affidavits, reports, settlements, inventories, and partial and final settlement and discharge.

213. MASTER COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS, 1903-4. 1 file box.
Master commissioners' reports on guardianship claims, showing date, name of ward and administrator, findings, recommendations, and decision of court. No index. $10 \times 4 \times 13$. Clk. vt.

214. ESTATES, 1850--. In (Guardianships and Estates), entry
211.

Papers pertaining to settlement of estates, showing date; names of decedent and legatees; schedules of all property; affidavits of executor or administrator, trustees, or heirs for inheritance tax appraisement; report of appraiser; appraised value of estate; inheritance tax amount; petitions to sell real estate, and answer to petitions; and awards to heirs.

215. CLAIMS, 1902-27. 4 file boxes. Title varies: Claims
against Estates Settled.

Claims against estates, showing date, names of claimant and estate, and amount and kind of claim. No index. Condition fair.

10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

216. ESTATES \$500, 1871-1907. 1 file box.

Papers in settlement of estates of \$500 value or less without administrator, showing date of action; names of decedent and appraiser; value, location, and description of property and chattels; inventory; affidavits of legatees; and attest. No index. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

217. GENERAL INDEX TO ESTATES, 1875-94. 1 vol.

General index to estates admitted to probate court, showing date of action; names of decedent, administrator, executor, guardian, and wards; amounts of bond; letters testamentary issued; and order book, fee book, docket, bond record, and will record references.

Indexed alphabetically by names of decedents. Hdw. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2½.

Attic stg. rm.

218. ADMINISTRATORS' AND EXECUTORS' BOND, OATH, AND LETTERS

(BOND RECORD), 1867--. 6 vols. (B-G), Vol. A, prior to 1867, missing. Subtitled: 1917-25, Administrators' and Bond Record.

Record of appointments and acceptances of administrators. and executors, showing date; names of administrator, executor, sureties, estate, and legatees; record of letters testamentary; proof of will; amount of bond; and notarization. Indexed alph. by names of estates. Hdw. 600 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1 vol., 1867-90, attic stg. rm.; 5 vols., 1886--, Clk. vt.

219. ADMINISTRATOR'S AND EXECUTOR'S BONDS, 1838-1895.

4 file boxes.

Bonds furnished by officials of estates. Contains: Administrator's and Executor's Bonds, Circuit Court, entry 220; Administrators' and Executor's Bonds, Common Pleas Court, entry 264. No index.

10 x 4 x 12. Clk. vt.

220. ADMINISTRATORS' AND EXECUTORS' BONDS, CIRCUIT COURT,

1838-95. In (Administrators' and Executors' Bonds), entry

219. 1852-72, missing.

Administrators' and executors' bonds and oaths attached with letters testamentary; showing names of principal and sureties, amount, and date of bond, condition of obligation, and notarization.

221. GUARDIAN'S BOND RECORD, 1867--. 4 vols. (B-E). Vol.

A, prior to 1867, missing.

Record of guardians' bonds given, showing date; names of principal,

sureties, and ward; bond amount, date, papers testamentary; and attest. Indexed alph. by names of wards. Hdw. 584 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 3/4. Clk. vt.

222. RECORD OF ADMINISTRATOR'S AND EXECUTOR'S REPORTS,
1871-76. 1 vol.

Record of administrators' and executors' reports on condition of estates, showing names of estates, administrator, and executor; inventories; division of assets; final settlement; and discharge. Indexed alph. by names of testators. Hdw. 593 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 1/2. Attic stg. rm.

223. INVENTORY RECORD, WHITE CIRCUIT COURT, 1873--. 16 vols.
(A-P).

Record of itemized lists of personal property of decedents, showing date, names of estate and appraisors, property description, and valuation, and attest. Indexed alph. by names of estates. Hdw. 580 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Clk. vt.

224. GUARDIAN'S INVENTORY RECORD, 1909--. 1 vol. (A).

Record of guardians' inventory of real and personal property of wards, and incompetents, showing date, description and valuation of real and personal property, revenue, expenditures, and attest. Indexed alph. by names of decedents. Hdw. 550 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 1/2. Clk. vt.

225. SALES RECORD, 1881--. 3 vols. (B-D).

Record of sales of personal property of decedents, showing date; names of decedent, executor, and administrator; description of items sold; amount of sale; cash paid; notes taken; description of articles

unsold; recapitulation; and notarization. Indexed alph. by names of decedents. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 3/4. 1 vol., B, 1881-Mar. 26, 1912, attic stg. rm.; 2 vols., C-D, Sept. 5, 1912--, Clk. vt.

226. INHERITANCE AND TRANSFER TAX RECORD, Clerk, 1913-18.

1 vol.

Record of estate appraised for inheritance tax, showing date of appraisal; names of decedent, legatees, executor, and administrator; value of estate; indebtedness, legacies, bequests, and devices; expenses of administration; total deductions; net value of property for taxation; amount assessed; amount of tax paid; value and description of property transferred; names of grantor and grantee; exemptions; and total amount of tax assessed. Arr. chron. Hdw. 480 pp. 18 x 23 x 2 1/2. Attic stg. rm.

For other inheritance tax records, see entries 149, 309.

Probate Proceedings
(See also entries 268-272)

227. ESTATE ENTRY CLAIM AND ALLOWANCE DOCKET AND FEE BOOK,

1923--. 5 vols. (1-5).

Record of entries, claims, and allowances, showing date; names of estate, decedent, administrator, executor, and sureties, and claimants; conditions and stipulations of will; issues, proceedings, and awards of court; amounts of claim and allowance; and fees and costs awarded. Indexed alph. by names of estates. Hdw. 586 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 1/2. 3 vols. 1923-Dec. 23, 1933, Clk. vt.; 2 vols., Mar. 3, 1933--, Clk. main off.

228. JUDGE'S BAR DOCKET, 1912--. 11 vols.

Minutes of court proceedings in probate, civil, and state cases; showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; order book and page numbers; proceedings; and final decree. Arr. chron. Hdw. 1500 pp. 12 x 12 x 7 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

229. GUARDIANSHIP DOCKET AND FEE BOOK, 1917--. 2 vols.

(1-2).

Record of issues and proceedings in guardianship cases, showing guardianship number; names of ward, decedent, and sureties; date of birth and age of ward; letters testamentary; amount of bond; balance in trust; order book entry; reports; total fees; date received; inventory; appraisement; and receipt of clerk for all fees. Indexed alph. by names of wards. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 1 vol., 1917-June 22, 1929, Clk. vt.; 1 vol., Oct. 7, 1929-- , Clk. off.

230. GUARDIAN DOCKET (PROBATE) COURT, 1843-1919. 5 vols,

(A-E).

Record of appointments of guardians, showing date; names of guardian, sureties, and wards; bond amount; memoranda of clerk; notes of sureties; solvency; incumbrances; reports filed; and proceedings in court. Indexed alph. by names of wards. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Clk. vt.

231. PROBATE ORDER BOOK, 1834--. 32 vols. (A,6-37).

Record of cases in probate court, showing date entered; names of estate, administrator, executors, and legatees; proceedings in probate; court decrees; and final discharge. Indexed alpn. by names of estates. 1834-1907, ndw.; 1907-- ,typed. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

232. COMPLETE RECORD (PROBATE), 1844--. 23 vols. (2,0-Z, 26-35).

Complete record in probate cases, showing date of action, names of decedent, legatees, executors, and administrators; proceedings, orders, decrees, and papers in administration and execution.

Indexed alph. by names of estates. 1844-1901, ndw.; 1901--, typed.

600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

Juvenile Causes

233. MISCELLANEOUS (JUVENILE COURT CASES), 1935--. 1 file box.

Papers in juvenile delinquency, showing date, order for dismissal of guardianship, name of child, and transfer of custody. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

234. PAPERS, JAMES WHITCOMB RILEY HOSPITAL CASES, 1920--. 1 file box.

Admittance papers of patients admitted to the James Whitcomb Riley Hospital for children, showing date, name of county, and patient, date received, and court order. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

235. HISTORY RECORD OF JUVENILE COURT, 1909-21. 1 vol.

Record of personal and family history of children under jurisdiction of the juvenile court, showing date, name, address, date of birth, sex, color, and mental and physical condition of child; number of brothers and sisters; reason for delinquency; name, age, and physical condition of father and mother; ^{and} name and address of guardian or institution. Arr. chron. Hdw. 202 pp. 16 x 20 x 1.

Attic stg. rm.

For subsequent records, see entry 237.

Juvenile Proceedings

236. JUVENILE COURT DOCKET, 1912--. 2 vols.

Record of juvenile court cases, showing date, name of child, parents, and witnessos; history and record; disposition of case; minutes of court; and order book and page and number. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 400 pp. 11 x 15 x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$. 1 vol., 1912-Jan. 24, 1921, attic stg. rm.; 1 vol., Sept. 17, 1921--., Clk. vt.

237. JUVENILE RECORD, WHITE CIRCUIT COURT, 1909--. 2 vols.

(1,1). Title varies: Juvenile Order Book.

Record of proceedings of circuit court in juvenile cases, showing name of delinquent, parents, and attorneys; order of court; and disposition of case. Indexed alph. by names of defendants. Typed. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1 vol., 1909-19, attic stg. rm.; 1 vol., 1919--., Clk. vt.

Miscellaneous Court Records

Change of venue (see also entry 348)

238. CLERK'S VENUE RECORD, 1893-1906. 1 vol.

Record of proceedings and expense in change of venue cases, showing date of venue; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; from what court venued; proceedings of court; number of days of trial; judgment; expense of trial; costs; awards; and order book. and page numbers. Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 240 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. Attic stg. rm.

239. RECEIPTS FOR PAPERS IN CHANGE OF VENUE, 1876--. 1 file box.

Receipts for papers sent to other counties in change of venue cases, showing date; names of clerk, plaintiff, and defendant; location and foreign courts of jurisdiction; and cause and case numbers. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

Appeal Opinions

240. OPINION SUPREME COURT, 1910-34. 1 file box.

Transcripts of opinion handed down by Supreme Court of Indiana, showing date; names of judges concurring, trial judge, plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, and court of jurisdiction; issues; pleadings; and decree. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

Jury Papers

241. VENIRE FOR JURORS, 1919-24. In Clerk Papers, entry 99.

Record of persons summoned to appear in court for jury service, showing date of writ; names of qualified citizens, court of jurisdiction, county, and judge; term of court; and sheriff's return.

242. GRAND JURY SUBPOENAS, 1912-24. In Clerk's Papers, entry 99.

Record of subpoenas issued for grand jury testimony, showing date of writ; names of witness, trial judge, sheriff, and trial court; case number; cause; and sheriff's return.

Bonds

243. APPEAL BONDS, 1879-98. 1 file box.

Bonds for appeals from decisions of inferior courts to circuit court, showing names of principal and sureties, amount and date of bond, stipulations of bond, and attest. No index. 10 x 4 x 12. Attic stg. rm.

Fee and Cash Records

244. REGISTER OF FEES AND FUNDS HELD IN TRUST, 1906--.

3 vols. (1-3).

Record of fees and funds held in trust by court order till final settlement, showing date received, purpose, title of cause, amount disbursed, and names of payer and payee. Indexed alpn. by names of payees. Hdwr. 650 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. 2 vols., 1906-Mar, 20, 1928, Clk. vt.; 1 vol., Mar. 22, 1928--., Clk. off.

245. FEE BOOK, CIRCUIT COURT, 1835-1920. 28 vols. (3-27,

and 3 vols. not numbered.

Record of all fees due the county, showing date of entry, names of officials and payer, kind of instrument, total payments, and final settlement. Arr. alpn. by names of parties to causes. Hdwr. 575 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. 4 vols., 1835-Dec. 23, 1923, attic stg. rm.; 24 vols., 1850-Dec. 6, 1920, Clk. vt.

For subsequent records, see entry 168.

246. REGISTER OF WITNESSES AND OTHER FEES, 1875--. 4 vols.

(1-2, and 2 vols. not numbered). 1887-1915, missing.

Title varies: Witness Claim Docket.

Record of all local foreign fees paid, showing dates received and disbursed; names of witnesses, trial judge, and payee; kind of instrument; cause and case numbers; and final settlement.

Arr. alpn. by names of payees. Hdw. 450 pp. 16 x 11 x 1½. 2 vols., 1875-87, attic stg. rm.; 2 vols., 1915--, Clk. vt.

247. FEE BILLS, 1858--. In Executions, entry 189.

Lists of fees due county or directed to sheriff for collection, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, clerk, and judgment debtor; fee book reference; purpose; and amount.

248. FEE BILL DOCKET, WHITE CIRCUIT COURT, 1881-1901.

1 vol.

Record of issues and return of fee bills by circuit court order, showing date of issue; names of judgment debtors, payee, and office serving writs, return made by officer; and final settlement,

Arr. onron. Hdw. 634 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Attic stg. rm.

249. RECORD OF FINES AND FORFEITURES, 1910-14. 1 vol.

Record of fines and forfeitures collected by clerk and paid to treasurer, showing date, name of payer, docket page, amounts of fines and forfeitures collected, and date paid treasurer. Arr.

chron. Hdw. 418 pp. 18 x 13 x 2. Attic stg. rm.

250. CLERK'S REGISTER OF FEES CHARGED, June to Sept. 1871.

1 vol.

Record of fees charged in court cases, showing dates collected and paid to treasurer; names of payer and court; amounts charged,

collected, and due; and fee book page reference. Arr. chron.

Hdw. 640 pp. 13 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

251. (ADMINISTRATORS' AND EXECUTORS' FEE BILL), 1837-56.

1 vol.

Record of itemized statements of fees paid for filing papers in settlement of estates, showing date, name of payer, and amount received. Indexed alph. by names of estates. Hdw. 220 pp.

15 x 6 x 1. Attic stg. rm.

252. RECEIPTS, 1857-1933. 6 vols. 1867-1908, missing.

Title varies: Receipts for Papers.

Record of receipts given for costs in disposed of or pending cases, showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, receipt number, amount, and fee book reference. Arr. chron. Hdw.

250 pp. 15 x 10 x 1. Attic. stg. rm.

253. COURT ALLOWANCES, 1919-25. 1 file box.

Allowances of court allowances, showing date of trial; names of claimant, plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; order number; amount paid direct and to trust office; and fees and costs available. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

Common Pleas Court

The court of common pleas, consisting of one judge, elected for a term of four years, (1) was established by an act of 1852, effective in White County in 1853. (2)

The court has jurisdiction in matters relating to probate of

wills and to appointment of guardians for persons of unsound mind and other disabilities; in matters relating to executors and administrators; (3) in civil matters ranging from fifty to one thousand dollars, except in cases of slander, libel, breach of marriage contract, action on an official bond, and where the title of real estate was in issue; (4) in civil matters exceeding one thousand dollars relating to judgments confessed by consent of both parties or in an agreed case; (5) and criminal jurisdiction in cases not amounting to felony, except those over which justices of the peace had jurisdiction, (6) and in felony cases not punishable by death providing that the accused voluntarily agreed to trial and in any criminal case on change of venue from the circuit court. (7)

The clerk of the circuit court acted as clerk of the court of common pleas (8) and was required to keep the records of the court of common pleas separate from the records of the circuit court. (9)

In 1873, the legislature abolished the court of common pleas and transferred its jurisdiction to the circuit court, (10) and all the records of the court of common pleas were transferred to the circuit court. (11)

All the records are located in the courthouse, and are, with other court records, in the custody of the clerk of the circuit court.

(1) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852,
pt. 1, ch. 8, sec. 1.

(2) Ibid., sec. 3.

(3) Ibid., sec. 4.

(4) Ibid., sec. 11.

(5) Ibid., sec. 12.

(6) Ibid., sec. 14.

(7) Ibid., sec. 17.

(8) Ibid., sec. 25.

(9) Ibid., sec. 26.

(10) Acts 1873, ch. 29,
secs. 79-80.

(11) Ibid., sec. 81.

Civil Causes (See also entries 158-66)

254. COMMON PLEAS COURT, CIVIL CASES, 1853-73. 36 file boxes. Record of civil and state cases, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, judge, and witnesses; subpoenas; summons; claims; reports of inventories; demands; answer to complaints; decisions; and court orders. Arr. chron. and numerically by case numbers. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

Court Proceedings (See also entries 167-83, 203-10).

255. ENTRY DOCKET, 1856-71. 1 vol.

Record of court entries, issues, and actions, showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, proceedings, and judgments awarded. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 280 pp. 17 x 12 x 2. Clk. vt.

256. ISSUE DOCKET, 1853-73. 5 vols. (A, and 4 vols. not numbered).

Record of issues, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, and attorneys; case number; pleadings; and proceedings. Arr. chron. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 11 x 3. Attic stg. rm.

257. ORDER BOOK, CIVIL, 1853-74. 11 vol. (A, 2-11).

Record of civil cases, showing date entered, names of plaintiff and defendant, proceedings of court, and orders in final judgment. Index d alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

258. JUDGMENT DOCKET, 1853-73. 3 vols. (A, 2-3).

Record of judgments, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, judgment creditor, and debtor; orders; judgment awarded; and writs issued in execution. Indexed alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 488 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

259. COMPLETE RECORD, 1844-74. 13 vols. (A-O). Vols. I, J, and K, missing. Title varies: 1844-75, Probate; 1867-74, Civil.

Complete record in settlement of probate and civil cases, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, attorneys, and witnesses; case number; proceedings; judgment awarded; and final order. Indexed alph. by names of plaintiffs. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

Executions (see also entries, 184-99, 274-79).

260. EXECUTION DOCKET, 1853-74. 6 vols. (1-6).

Record of the execution of judgments, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, and officer serving writ; costs awarded; and officer's return. Indexed alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Clk. vt.

261. COMMON PLEAS EXECUTIONS, 1852-75. 8 file boxes.

Papers in executions rendered, showing date; names of plaintiff, defendant, and judge; amount of judgment, and costs awarded; writs ordered; and returns made by serving officer. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Clk. vt.

262. L(OUISVILLE) N (EW) A (LBANY) AND C(HICAGO) R(AIL)
R(OAD) FORECLOSURE, 1868-70. 1 vol. (B).

Record of papers and proceedings pertaining to mortgage foreclosure of Louisville, New Albany, and Chicago Railroad, showing date, names of mortgagor and mortgagee, amount, interest, total, and action taken in foreclosure. Arr. alph. by names of estates. Hdw. 440 pp. 15 x 12 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. Clk. vt.

Probate Causes (See also entries 211-26)

263. ADMINISTRATOR'S AND EXECUTOR'S BONDS, COMMON PLEAS COURT, 1858-72. In Administrator's and Executor's Bonds, entry 219.

Testamentary letters filed and bonds posted to qualify as administrators and executor; showing date, names of principal and sureties, and amount and date of bond.

264. RECORD OF GUARDIANS' REPORTS, 1871-76. 1 vol.

Record of valuation statements of estates by guardians, administrators, and executors; showing date, name of estate, receipts and disbursements, residuary balance, and attest. Indexed alph. by names of heirs and wards. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

265. INVENTORY OF PERSONAL PROPERTY, 1867-73. 1 vol. (A).

Record of inventories of personal property, showing date; names of state and court officer; kind, location, description, and value of property; final report; and affidavit. Indexed alph. by names of deceased. Hdw. 600 pp, 18 x 13 x 3. Clk. vt.

266. SALES OF PERSONAL PROPERTY OF DECEDENTS, 1867-81. 1 vol.

Record of accounting of sale of personal property of deceased, showing date, names of estate and purchaser, inventory number, kind of property, sale amount, and security offered. Indexed alph. by names of deceased. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$. Clk. vt.

267. RECORD OF LAND PARTITION, 1857-69. 1 vol.

Record of reports of commissioners, on partition of real property, showing names of petitioners and commissioners; description and location of property, and division prorated to legatees. Indexed alph. by names of petitioners. Hdw. 300 pp. 15 x 11 x 2. Clk. vt.

Probato Proceedings (See also entries 227-32)

268. GUARDIAN DOCKET, COMMON PLEAS COURT, 1852-73. 2 vols.

(A-B). Title varies: Record of Guardians' Bonds and Letters.

Record of guardianship, showing names and addresses of guardian, wards, and sureties; amount of bond; report of solvency of estate; proceedings of court; final orders; and discharge. Indexed alph. by names of wards and guardians. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 13 x 3. Clk. vt.

269. ALLOWANCE DOCKET (PROBATE), 1853-54. 1 vol. (A).

Record of allowances in probate cases, showing date, names of deceased, estate, and sureties; court proceedings; judgment; claims allowed; payments made; and receipt in satisfaction. Indexed alph. by names of deceased and administrators. Hdw. 600 pp. 17 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

270. ORDER BOOK (PROBATE), 1853-73. 4 vols. (B, 3-5).

Record of probate cases, showing date entered, names of estate, heirs, and witnesses; proceedings of the court; reports of administrator, and executor; and final settlement. Indexed alph. by names of estates. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

271. INDEX TO PROBATE ORDER BOOK, 1853-73. 2 vols.

General index to court orders, showing date, names of plaintiff and defendant, action taken, page of order book, judgments, and execution docket volume and page number. Arr. alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 200 pp. 17 x 11 x 3/4. 1 vol., Clk. vt.; 1 vol., attic stg. rm.

272. (FINAL RECORD), 1855-62. 1 vol.

Record of reports of guardians and executors in partition and sale of lands in estates; showing names of plaintiff, defendant, petitioners, purchaser, and estate; sale price; and residue in estate.

Indexed alph. by names of estates, wards, and plaintiffs. Hdw.

500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

Fee and Cash Book

273. FEE BOOK, 1852-72. 7 vols. (2-6, and 2 vols. not numbered.)

1863-79, missing..

Record of fees due county from all civil cases, showing term of court, date, names of plaintiff and defendant, cause, payment, and total fees collected. Indexed alph. by names of plaintiffs and defendants. Hdw. 600 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Clk. vt.

VI. SHERIFF

The sheriff is a constitutional officer elected for a term of two years. He must give a bond to insure the faithful performance of duty, and is required to take the usual oath of office. (1) No person is eligible to hold the office of sheriff for more than four years in any period of six years. (2) Prior to the Constitution of 1851, the office of sheriff functioned by virtue of the Constitution of 1816. (3) The inception date of this office in White County is 1834, the organization date of the county.

The sheriff is the conservator of peace within White County. He is required to arrest without process all persons, who within his view commit any crime or misdemeanor, and hold them in custody during investigation of the cause of such arrest; to suppress all breaches of the peace, with authority to call to his aid the power of the county; to pursue and commit to jail all felons; and to maintain and preserve order in the courts of the county except justice of the peace courts. He also maintains the jail and takes care of the prisoners confined in it. (4) It is his duty to protect persons in danger of possible lynchings. (5) He makes arrests of all persons on warrants issued upon indictments and affidavits, and commits them to jail, and also serves summons in cases of misdemeanor. (6)

As a court officer of White County he is required to make service of all process. (7) He sells mortgaged property on foreclosure proceedings; (8) executes deeds to real estate sold on executions; (9) conveys persons committed to state charitable, correctional, or

penal institutions; (10) and attends sessions and executes the orders of the county council (11) and the board of commissioners. (12)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Const., art. 6, sec. 2;
2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts
1937; Burns, 1937 suppl.,
49-2801. | (7) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-2803. |
| (2) Const., art. 6, sec. 2. | (8) Acts 1881 (Spc. Sess.);
Burns 3-1819. |
| (3) Const. 1816, art. 4, sec. 25. | (9) Acts 1881 (Spc. Sess.);
Burns 2-4101. |
| (4) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-2802. | (10) Acts 1905; Burns 9-2232. |
| (5) Acts 1905; Burns 10-3310. | (11) Acts 1899; Burns 26-510. |
| (6) Acts 1905; 1937; Burns,
1937 suppl., 9-1001. | (12) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
26-611. |

Executions and Reports
(See also entries 184-99, 260-62)

274. SHERIFF'S EXECUTION DOCKET, (Circuit Court), 1858--.

3 vols. (2-4). Vol. 1, prior to 1878, missing.

Title varies: Execution Docket, Sheriff.

Record of sheriff's executions of writs, showing date, name of defendant, plaintiff, and attorneys; amount recovered; sheriff returns; and fee collected. Indexed alph. by names of defendants. Hdw. 588 pp. 16 x 11 x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$. Shf. off.

275. SHERIFF'S EXECUTION DOCKET, (Common Pleas Court), 1858-

1878. 4 vols. Title varies: Sheriff Docket.

Record of execution on writs and judgments and fees collected, showing date served; names of plaintiff, defendant, and judgment debtor; property seized; kind of writ; amount recovered; and return made. No index. Hdw. 588 pp. 16 x 11 x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$. 2 vols., 1858-Jan. 7, 1873, attic stg. rm.; 2 vols., July 16, 1873--., Shf. off.

276. SHERIFF'S DOCKET, 1855-1932. 10 vols. (1-2-2, and 7 vols. not numbered.).

Record of writs served by court order, showing date executed, names of plaintiff and defendant, cause number, kind of writ, and return made. Arr. chron. Hdw. 300 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. 9 vols., 1855-67, 1876-1932, Shf. off.; 1 vol. 1868-75, Shf. lobby.

277. SHERIFF'S STATE DOCKET, 1879-1929. 1 vol.

Record of writs served by sheriff on court orders in state cases, showing dates issued and served, nature of writ, names of parties to process, fees, and return made. Arr. chron. Hdw. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Shf. off.

278. SHERIFF'S RECORD OF SALES, 1873--. 3 vols. Mar. 15, 1930-Mar. 24, 1931, missing.

Record of sheriff's sales on court order, showing date of writ and sale; names of plaintiff and defendant, trial judge, and purchaser; location and description of property; judgment award and costs attached; amount of sale; terms; and officer's return made. Indexed alph. by names of owners and purchasers. Hdw. 344 pp. 16 x 11 x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$. Shf. off.

279. SHERIFF'S REGISTER OF FOREIGN EXECUTIONS, 1907-33. 1 vol.

Record of foreign writs served, showing dates issued and served; names of parties processed, local and foreign counties, and trial judge; nature of writ; cause; and officer's return made. Arr. chron. Hdw. 398 pp. 16 x 11 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. Shf. off.

280. PRISONERS' RECORD, 1877--. 2 vols. (1 and 1 vol.

not numbered. Title varies: Jail Register.

Record of arrests, showing dates of arrest, sentence, and discharge; name, sex, age, color, and address of prisoner; fees; number of days remanded; and cost of board. No index. Hdw. 318 pp. 17 x 15 x 1 3/4. Shf. off.

281. MILEAGE CLAIM RECORD, 1929--. 1 vol.

Record of mileage claims for serving papers in county, showing date served, names of parties to process, mileage covered, action, and total charge. No index. Hdw. 504 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Shf. off.

282. RECORD OF ELECTION SHERIFF, 1890-1920. 4 vols. (1-4).

Record of appointments of election sheriffs, showing date of appointment; names of county committee chairman, appointees, and townships; precinct number; and certificate of appointment. Indexed alph. by names of appointees. Hdw. 250 pp. 14 x 8 x 3/4. Shf. off.

283. SUMMARIES OF MESSAGES, Feb. 29,--June 22, 1936.

1 bundle.

Record of messages received describing persons fleeing arrest, showing date of notice; names of offenders, foreign county, cause, and official; description of offence, or property in action; and marks of identification. No index. 11 x 8 x 1. Shf. off.

Fee and Cash Books

284. REGISTER OF SHERIFF'S FEES, 1871--. 5 vols. (1-4), and 1 vol. not numbered). 1890-1892, missing. Title varies: Sheriff's Register of Fees Charged.

Record of fees collected by shoriff, showing dato, mileago, servico, docketing, total fees, and payment report to auditor. Arr. chron. Hdw. 586 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Shf. off.

285. SHERIFF'S CASH BOOK, 1893--. 2 vols. Title varies:

Cash Book, Sheriff.

Record of fees collected, showing date paid, names of payer and judgment debtor, amounts of fee and balance due, type, total receipts and disbursements, and final settlement. Arr. chron. Hdw. 480 pp. 18 x 11 x 2. Shf. off.

286. FOREIGN FEE BOOK, 1937--. 1 vol. (3). Vols. 1-2, prior tp 1937, missing.

Record of foreign fees collected, showing date, names of parties served, amounts charged and received, and total collections. Indexed alph. by names of counties. Hdw. 400 pp. 16 x 11 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Shf. off.

287. INDEX FOR REGISTER OF SHERIFF'S FEE BOOKS, Not dated.

1 vol.

Index to Sheriff's Fee Books, showing names of plaintiff and defendant, page, and reference. Indexed alph. by names of payers. Hdw. 52 pp. 17 x 10 x $\frac{1}{4}$. Shf. off.

Maps

288. WHITE COUNTY, 1862. 1 map.

Political and communications map, showing townships, sections, roads, railroads, rivers, and list of property owners of Monticello and incorporated towns of county. Drawn by J. B. Van Buskirk. Published at Monticello, Indiana, by Monticello Herald. Printed. Scale: 1" to 1 mi. 43 x $29\frac{1}{2}$. Shf. off.

VII. CORONER

The coroner is a constitutional officer elected for two years without restriction on reelection. (1) He is required to post bond not exceeding five thousand dollars nor less than one thousand dollars. (2) The office was created before 1851 by virtue of the Constitution of 1816. (3) The inception date of this office in White County is 1834, the organization date of the county.

The coroner is required to investigate deaths by violence, by accident, and of suspicious nature, and to determine the cause and manner of death. (4) He holds inquests without a jury, (5) and may subpoena witnesses and employ a physician to make a post-mortem examination, (6) draws up his verdict, (7) and files it with a report, giving a minute description of the deceased and valuables found upon him, with the clerk of the circuit court. (8) He is a peace officer with the same powers as the sheriff, (9) and acts as sheriff in event of absence, vacancy, personal interest, or incapacity of that officer, (10) and serves warrants on the sheriff if necessary. (11)

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| (1) Const. 1851, art. 6, sec. 2. | (7) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1879 (Spec. Sess.); Burns 49-2908. |
| (2) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1933; Burns 49-2901. | (8) Ibid.; Burns 49-2909. |
| (3) Const., 1816, art. 4, sec. 25. | (9) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1933; Burns 49-2901. |
| (4) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1871, 1879 (Spec. Sess.); Acts 1935; Burns, 1937 suppl., 49-2904. | (10) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2902. |
| (5) Acts 1879 (Spec. Sess.); Burns 49-2905. | (11) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2903. |
| (6) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2906. | |

289. CORONER'S INQUESTS, 1901--. 4 file boxes.

Coroner's inquests and verdicts in accidental and sudden deaths, showing date; names of witness, deceased, coroner, and jury; place of inquest, certificate of inquest; and jury's verdict.

No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x $4\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

290. CERTIFICATE OF DEATH, 1932--. 4 bundles.

Duplicate death certificates, showing name of deceased, cause of death, age, address, place of burial, date, and names of witnesses.

No index. Hdw. 10 x 8 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Cor. off., Miller Bldg., Main St., Idaville, Ind.

VIII. PROSECUTING ATTORNEY

The prosecuting attorney is a constitutional officer, (1) elected in each judicial circuit for a term of two years. (2) He is required to post bond to be approved by the judge of the circuit court and filed with the clerk. (3)

Prior to the Constitution of 1851, the office of prosecutor existed by virtue of an act of 1831. A circuit prosecutor was chosen by a joint ballot of the senate and house of representatives. (4) The inception date of this office in White County is 1834, the organization date of the county.

It is the duty of the prosecuting attorney to inquire into the commission of any felony or misdemeanor received on information. (5) He appears before the grand jury to furnish information relative to matters cognizable by it or upon any legal matter, and signs all indictments found, but is excluded from its deliberations. (6) He conducts all prosecutions for felonies and misdemeanors in White County, all suits on forfeited recognizances, resists applications for changing names, protects interests of all persons of unsound mind, and superintends on behalf of the county or any of its trust funds, all suits in which the same may be interested or involved. (7) He is also required to resist undefended actions for divorce. (8)

The prosecuting attorney may take acknowledgments to deeds or other instruments in writing, administer oaths, protest notes and checks, take depositions of witnesses, and perform any duty now

conferred on a notary public. (9)

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| (1) Const., art. 7, sec. 11. | (6) Acts 1905; Burns 9-826. |
| (2) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2501. | (7) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2504. |
| (3) Ibid.; Burns 49-2502. | (8) Acts 1873; Burns 3-1212. |
| (4) Rev. Laws 1831, ch. 10, sec. 1. | (9) Acts 1919; Burns 49-2507. |
| (5) 2 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-2503. | |

No records could be found.

IX. ASSESSOR

The office of assessor was created by an act of 1891. (1) This officer is elected for a four-year term, there being no prohibition against successive terms. He must be a continuous resident freeholder of White County for not less than four years prior to the date of his election, and post a five thousand dollar bond, with two or more good freehold sureties approved by the auditor, who also administers the oath of office. His work is under the direction of the state board of tax commissioners, and he may be removed by that board, after a hearing, for incompetency, neglect of duty, or misconduct in office. (2)

The office of assessor existed in White County from 1841 to 1853 by virtue of an act of the legislature. (3) The inception date of the present office in White County is 1891.

The duties of the assessor are: To examine carefully the tax duplicates, to instruct and advise the township assessors, to review their returns, to assess omitted real and personal property, to report to the state board any delinquencies of township assessors, to examine public records, (4) to set a value upon intangibles for taxation, (5) and to appraise estates for inheritance taxes. (6) He is ex-officio member and president of the White County board of review. (7)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1891, ch. 99, sec. 112. | (6) Acts 1919, 1921; Burns |
| (2) Acts 1919, 1921; Burns | 64-1101; Acts 1931, |
| 64-1101. | 1933; Burns 6-2408. |
| (3) Acts 1841, ch. 3, sec. 1. | (7) Acts 1919, 1920 (Spec. |
| (4) Acts 1919; Burns 64-1102. | Sess.); Burns 64-1201. |
| (5) Acts 1933, 1935; Burns, | |
| 1937 suppl., 64-905. | |

291. ASSESSOR AND DEPUTY ASSESSOR APPOINTMENTS AND BONDS,

1882--. 2 file boxes and 1 lock box.

Original bond papers of assessor, and appointment papers and bonds for his deputies; showing date; names of principal and sureties; and condition, obligation, and amount of bond. Arr. chron. 10 x 13 x 4. Aud. vt.

292. MISCELLANEOUS RECORD, ASSESSOR, 1907-22. 1 vol.

Record of tax exemptions and property assessments omitted from tax sheets, showing location and description of lot by township and city; amount of exemption for omitted property; amount of tax; names of owner and mortgagor; list of revised schedules, and polls. No index. Hdw. 452 pp. 16 x 10 x 2. Assr. off.

293. RECORD OF OMITTED PERSONAL PROPERTY AND TAXES THEREON,

1875-1903. 3 vols.

Record of personal property omitted from tax list, showing tax term; date; name of taxpayer; amounts due, credited, and net; and taxing unit. Arr. chron. and alph. by twps. Hdw. 498 pp. 17 x 15 x 2. 1 vol., 1875-1903, Assr. off.; 2 vols., 1887-1903, Aud. off.

X. BOARD OF REVIEW

By virtue of an act of 1919, White County has a board of review for the annual review of assessments and the equalization of the valuation of real and personal property. The board is composed of the assessor, treasurer, and auditor, ex officio, and two freeholders of opposite political parties, appointed annually by the judge of the circuit court. The assessor is president and the auditor is secretary of the board. (1)

Prior to 1891 the duty of equalizing tax assessments was performed by a board of equalization consisting of the commissioners with the addition of other members--in 1841 the auditor and the appraiser; (2) in 1881, four freeholders appointed by the circuit judge. (3) The law of 1891 superseded the latter act and created the board of review, composed of the treasurer, assessor, and auditor. (4) The act of 1919 reestablished the board, adding the two freeholder appointments to its membership. (5) The inception date of this board in White County is 1881.

The board of review holds an annual meeting in June of each year. A majority constitutes a quorum for the transaction of business and may decide any question. (6) At its meetings the auditor submits for examination the assessment list of the county returned by the township assessors, and the county assessor reports all corrections and changes which in his judgment thought to be made, upon which the board acts but it may take further action upon its own motion. (7)

It is the duty of the board to inquire as to the valuation of property in the townships or any taxing unit, to make such changes as may be necessary, and to determine the amount to be added or deducted, in order to make an equitable equalization of valuation throughout the county. If the board shall find the aggregate assessment too high, too low, or unequal, it may set aside the assessment of the whole county, or of any township or taxing unit therein, and order a new assessment. (8)

The board also adjusts inequalities in the valuation of particular tracts or lots, corrects errors in the description and assessment of property, and passes upon each valuation in the township assessors' lists upon cause being shown or on its own motion. It hears complaints of owners of personal property. It makes a general review of assessment lists to discover omitted property and determines its assessment. (9) It assesses the capital stock and franchises of corporations in the county, except those assessed by the state board of tax commissioners, such as railroad, telephone, and telegraph companies. (10)

The auditor, as secretary, is required to keep full and accurate minutes of the proceedings of the board. The changes made by the board are entered in a separate column in the assessment lists. (11)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1919, 192- (Spec. Sess);
Burns 64-1201. | (6) Acts 1919, 1920 (Spec. Sess.);
Burns 64-1201. |
| (2) Acts 1841, ch. 1, sec. 13;
1 Rev. Stat. 1852, ch. 6,
sec. 58. | (7) Ibid.
(8) Acts 1919; Burns 64-1205.
(9) Ibid. |
| (3) Acts 1831, ch. 96, sec. 129. | (10) Acts 1919; Burns 64-724. |
| (4) Acts 1891, ch. 99, sec. 114. | (11) Acts 1919, 1920 (Spec. Sess.);
Burns 64-1201. |
| (5) Acts 1919, 1920 (Spec. Sess.);
Burns 64-1201. | |

294. COUNTY BOARD OF REVIEW RECORD, 1891--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Title varies: Record, County Board of Review.

Minutes of regular and special sessions of the board, showing date of session, proceedings and actions on petitions and business transacted. No index. 1891-1901, 1921--, hdw.; 1902-20, typed. 428 pp. 16 x 11 x 2.

XI. BOARD OF TAX ADJUSTMENT

The board of tax adjustment of White County was established by the legislature in 1933 and consists of seven members.

By the act of 1933 the members of the board were one member of the county council, selected by the council, and six members appointed by the judge of the circuit court, with specific qualifications: One township trustee, one mayor of a city or president of the board of trustees of an incorporated town in the county, one member of a school board of a school municipality in the county, and three resident freeholders of the county. (1) By an act of 1937 the qualifications of the membership of the board were changed. One is a member of the county council, chosen by the council; one member is the mayor of the largest city in the county or any public official of any city in the county appointed by the said mayor of the largest city in the county; one member is a member of the county board of education selected by such board; and four freeholders of the county appointed by the judge of the circuit court. No more than four members of such adjustment board can be members of the same political party. The members serve without compensation and the appointments are made annually. The auditor acts as clerk of the board and keeps a complete record of all its proceedings, but has no vote. (2)

The auditor lays before the board at its meeting in September each year, the budgets adopted and the tax levies and rates fixed by the proper authorities of each municipal corporation

for the ensuing year. (3)

It is the duty of the board to examine, and if it deems necessary, to revise, to change, or to reduce, but not to increase, any tax levy and any corresponding items of the budget on which the tax levies are based, and to apportion the total of all the levies so that the total levy on property within any municipal corporation for which the property therein is taxable, shall not exceed the total rate as provided by law. The board has the right to require such officials to attend its meetings or to furnish any necessary information, and may employ an examiner of the state board of accounts for assistance. (4)

(1) Acts 1933; Burns 64-304.

(3) Ibid.

(2) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 64-310.

(4) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 64-310, 64-311.

No records could be found.

XII. BOARD OF FINANCE

The board of commissioners of White County constitutes the board of finance, (1) and may sue and be sued in any court having jurisdiction. (2) It was first created by an act of 1907, (3) and later re-created by the Depository Acts of 1935 and 1937. (4)

The board of finance has supervision of all public funds of the county and of the safekeeping and deposit thereof. (5) It designates the banks to serve as depositories for county funds. (6) The board receives monthly statements of county funds on deposit from the banks, (7) and may, as it sees fit, revoke the commission of any depository at any time. (8)

The board of finance holds an annual meeting on the third Monday in January for its organization, (9) a biennial meeting on the third Monday in February, in the odd numbered years for the consideration of proposals as depositories for the ensuing two-year period, (10) and a joint meeting, within five days of the date fixed for filing the proposals, with the agents of all boards of finance--city, town, school, and township--and all banks desiring to become depositories. (11)

The auditor is the secretary of the board and keeps a record of its proceedings. (12) All the records of the board prior to 1937 were transferred to the new board in 1937. (13)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 61-629. | (6) Ibid.; 61-635. |
| (2) Ibid.; 61-633. | (7) Ibid.; 61-638. |
| (3) Acts 1907; Burns 61-606. | (8) Ibid.; 61-636. |
| (4) Acts 1935, ch. 70, sec. 37;
Acts 1937; Burns, 1937,
suppl., 61-629, 61-638. | (9) Ibid.; 61-633. |
| (5) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 61-629. | (10) Ibid.; 61-636. |
| | (11) Ibid.; 61-635. |
| | (12) Ibid.; 61-629, 61-635. |
| | (13) Ibid.; 61-658. |

295. RECORD, BOARD OF FINANCE, 1907--. 1 vol.

Minutes of the sessions of the board, in regular and special sessions, showing date and place of meeting, roll call, names of depositories selected, amount deposited, interest allowed on deposits, bonds, and sureties of depositories approved. Indexed alph. by names of depositories. 1907-21, typed; 1922--, hdw. 480 pp. 16 x 11 x 2 $\frac{1}{4}$. Aud. vt.

296. COUNTY FUNDS, 1900--. 1 vol.

Record of monthly survey of county funds, showing statements from depositories, source of receipts, amounts received and expended, and balances. No index. Hdw. and typed. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. Aud. off.

297. BOARD OF FINANCE, 1907-20. 1 file box.

Bank statements submitted to board with applications and bids for deposits, showing date; name and location of bank; agreement and maximum deposit desired; term of service; amount of bond; names of personal or surety companies, officers, and directors of bank; and amount allotted. Arr. chron. 10 x 13 x 4. Aud. vt.

298. MONTHLY INTEREST STATEMENT, 1930-33. 1 file box.

Monthly statement from depository to board, showing date; daily balances of county funds; and interest accrued on daily, semi-annual, and annual time deposits. Arr. chron. 10 x 13 x 4. Aud. off.

XIII. SCHOOL FUND BOARD

Loans from the school funds were made by the auditor under an act of 1865 until 1935 when the school fund board was created. It consists of three members: The auditor and the clerk ex officio, and one member appointed by the judge of the circuit court for a two-year term. The ex-officio members serve without compensation and the appointed member receives two dollars for each loan made. (1)

The duty of this board is to make all loans from the common school and the congressional township school funds to owners of real estate, such loans to be secured by mortgage. The board must satisfy itself, after approval of the title by the county attorney, as to the value of real estate offered in the mortgage, the validity of the title, and whether it is encumbered. (2) Loans may also be made to the county upon proper authorization by the county council, for a period not exceeding five years. (3)

All the records are located in the auditor's vault in the courthouse.

(1) Acts 1865, 1935; Burns
1937 suppl., 28-209.

(2) Ibid.

(3) Acts 1901; Burns 28-202.

299. SCHOOL FUND LOANS, 1926--. 11 file boxes.

School fund mortgages and approvals, Contains: Approval of School Fund Loans, entry 300; School Fund Mortgages, entry 441. No index
13 x 10 x 4.

For other school fund records, see entries 337-38, 436-60.

300. APPROVAL OF SCHOOL FUND LOANS, 1935--. In School Fund
Loans, entry, 299.

Record of approval of school fund loans on reverse side of mort-
gages, showing date, approval, amount, and signatures of members
of board.

XIV. TREASURER

The treasurer is a constitutional officer elected for a term of two years. No person is eligible to serve more than four years in any period of six years. (1) He is required to execute his official bond in the penalty of not less than the amount of money which may come into his hands at any time during his term. (2) Prior to the Constitution of 1851 the office of treasurer was established by the legislature; an act of 1817 provided for his appointment by the board of commissioners; (3) an act of 1841 made it an elective office. (4) The inception date of this office in White County is 1834, the organization date of the county.

The treasurer receives all moneys coming to White County and disburses the same on the proper orders issued and attested by the auditor. (5) He collects all taxes for state, county, school, road, or other purposes (6) due the county on the tax duplicate, (7) delivered to him by the auditor, (8) including city taxes. (9) He sells by public auction, real estate (10) and personal property (11) for delinquent taxes. He also collects taxes from corporations in the county; (12) and the excise tax on shares of stock and deposits of banks (13) and loan associations (14) and sells intangible tax stamps for the state board of tax commissioners. (15)

The treasurer makes quarterly reports to the board of commissioners, showing the true amount of money in the county treasury; (16) a monthly report to the auditor, showing the

total amount of cash payments received during the month and the respective accounts credited, (17) an annual settlement for taxes with the county auditor (18) and pays to the state treasurer in June all money due to the state; (19) and additional payments to the state treasurer in December each year (20) and as otherwise directed. (21) He makes to the auditor, a quarterly and at the expiration of his term of office, a sworn report showing specifically the amount of fees collected, (22) and deposits quarterly with the auditor all orders redeemed. (23) The treasurer is a member of the county board of review. (24)

He is required to keep his books by separate accounts for separate funds or specific appropriations as well as by one general account. (25)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Const., art. 6, sec. 2. | (15) Ibid., 64-927. |
| (2) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts 1865, 1919; Burns 49-3101. | (16) Acts 1895, 1903, 1913; Burns 49-1403. |
| (3) Acts 1816-17, ch. 17, secs. 1-2. | (17) Acts 1919; Burns 64-2101. |
| (4) Acts 1841, ch. 4, sec. 1. | (18) Ibid., 64-2501. |
| (5) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-3103, 49-3111. | (19) Ibid., 64-2503. |
| (6) Acts 1919; Burns 64-1501. | (20) Ibid., 64-2504. |
| (7) Ibid., 64-1502. | (21) Acts 1859, 1861; Burns 49-1813. |
| (8) Ibid., 64-1408. | (22) Acts 1895, 1903, 1913; Burns 49-1402. |
| (9) Acts 1933; Burns 48-1219. | (23) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-3114. |
| (10) Acts 1919; Burns 64-1516. | (24) Acts 1919, 1920 (Spc. Sess.); Burns 64-1201. |
| (11) Ibid., 64-1705. | (25) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns 49-3109. |
| (12) Ibid., 64-1801. | |
| (13) Acts 1933; Burns 64-804. | |
| (14) Ibid., 64-827. | |

Tax Collections

Personal and Real Property

301. TAX DUPLICATE AND DELINQUENT LIST, AUDITOR, 1844--.

481 vols. 1845, 1849, missing.

Record of taxes paid and amount delinquent, showing name of property owner; description, location, and value of property; amounts of taxes paid and delinquent; exemptions; and total amount due of first and second installments. Indexed alph. by names of owners. Hdw. and typed. 450 pp. 20 x 17 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.
115 vols., 1844-1911, Aud. vt.; 120 vols., 1853-1909, attic stg. rm.; 246 vols., 1853--, Tr. vt.

302. TREASURER'S REGISTER OF TAXES COLLECTED, 1912--.

13 vols. (1-7, and 6 vols. not numbered).

Record of taxes collected from taxpayers of taxing units in county, showing number of tax duplicate; amounts of current and delinquent tax; and amounts of refund, special assessments, advertising, and surplus. Arr. chron. Hdw. 650 pp. 18 x 15 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$.
12 vols., 1912-May 6, 1935, Tr. vt.; 1 vol., May 20, 1935--, Tr. off.

303. TAX RECEIPTS, 1869--. 1232 vols.

Duplicates of original receipts for taxes paid, showing receipt number; name of payor; description, location, and net valuation of property; and amounts of tax, exemption, and net tax. Arr. chron. and numerically by twps. Hdw. 350 pp. 10 x 13 x 2.
1869-1927, attic stg. rm.; 1925-32, Tr. vt.; 1933--, Tr. off.

Delinquent

304. MORATORIUM TAX DUPLICATE, 1934--. 1 vol.

Record of delinquent tax claims against property owners who took advantage of the moratorium laws, showing title of taxing unit; tax duplicate and receipt numbers; amounts delinquent and payable annually; penalties; costs; date; and description, location, and value of property. Arr. alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 200 pp. 18 x 15 x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. Tr. off.

305. INSOLVENT RECORD, 1894--. 3 vols. (1, 1-2).

Record of unpaid taxes which are considered non-collectible due to insolvency, removal, or death, showing date dropped, tax duplicate number, name of owner, description and location of property, amount of delinquency, and reason for dropping from tax duplicate. Arr. alph. by names of owners and numerically by twps. Hdw. 320 pp. 17 x 9 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1 vol., 1894-1905, Tr. vt.; 1 vol., 1894-1909, Aud. vt.; 1 vol., 1906-- , Tr. off.

306. RECORD OF DELINQUENT LANDS AND LOTS, 1854--.

34 vols. (1-5, and 29 vols. not numbered).

Record of tax delinquencies, showing name of owner; description, location, area, and value of property; amount of delinquency; and notice of order for sale of property. Arr. alph. by names of owners and numerically by twps. Hdw. 420 pp. 18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1854-76, attic stg. rm.; 1865-1931, Tr. vt.; 1932-- , Tr. off.

307. DELINQUENT TAX RECEIPTS, 1923-30. 5 vols.

Duplicates of original receipts, showing township, serial number, names of payer and owner, date, amount paid, description and

location of property, and balance due. Arr. chron. Hdw.

500 pp. 9 x 13 x 2. Tr. vt.

308. QUIETUS DELINQUENT TAXES, Aug. 27-Sept. -11, 1895.

1 vol.

Stub record of auditor's quietus for delinquent tax, showing serial number, date, name and address of payer, amount of

payment, penalties, and costs. Arr. chron. Hdw. 250 pp.

5 x 11 x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. Tr. vt.

Inheritance (see also entries 149, 226)

309. INHERITANCE TAX RECEIPTS, 1914--. 3 vols.

Duplicates of original receipts for inheritance and transfer taxes paid, showing estate admitted to probate; date; cause number; names of decedent, administrator, trustees, and payer; amount paid; and penalties and costs attached. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 600 pp. 9 x 23 x 3. Tr. vt.

Public Improvement Record

310. DITCH TAX DUPLICATE, 1892--. 25 vols. (1, and 24 vols. not numbered).

Duplicate receipts for taxes paid for ditch construction or repairs, showing names of taxpayer and ditch; description, location, and acreage of property assessed; and amount of installment paid and balance for ten year period. Arr. alph. by names of taxpayers.

Hdw. 400 pp. 17 x 22 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. 3 vols., 1892-94, Aud. vt.; 2 vols., 1893-1904, attic stg. rm.; 6 vols., 1893--, Tr. off.; 14 vols., 1902-20, Tr. vt.

311. FIVE MILE DITCH DUPLICATE, 1896-1901. 2 vols. (1, 1).

Duplicate receipts for taxes paid for construction and upkeep of five mile law drain ditches, showing name of taxpayer; description, location, and acreage of property benefited; total amount of assessment; and date and amount of payment made. Arr. alph. by names of taxpayers and numerically by twps. Hdw. 360 pp. 18 x 24 x 2. Attic, stg. rm.

312. TREASURER'S FIVE MILE DITCH REGISTER, 1903-17. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements in construction and repair of five mile law ditches, showing names of ditch, fund, payer, and payee; amounts received or paid; nature of services rendered; and allotments and appropriations received. Arr. chron. by names of funds. Hdw. 384 pp. 17 x 20 x 2. Tr. vt.

313. DITCH REGISTER, 1909-17. 2 vols. Title varies:

Treasurer.

Record of taxes paid for the construction and maintenance of ditches, showing date of payment, number of receipt, name of payer, and amounts paid and delinquent. Arr. chron. Hdw. 646 pp. 17 x 13 x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$. Tr. vt.

314. DITCH ASSESSMENT, May 20, 1913. 1 vol.

Record of assessments levied against property benefited through joint construction of a drain ditch by Jasper, Newton, and White Counties, showing typed copies of petition filed in Jasper County Circuit Court, court order, report of superintendent of construction, names of property owners benefited, location and acreage of property, and amount assessed. Arr. alph. by names of property owners. Hdw. 50 pp. 17 x 14 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Tr. vt.

315. DITCH ASSESSMENT RECORD, 1882-85. 1 vol.

Record of assessments levied against property holders benefited by construction of ditches, showing name of property owner; description, location, and acreage of property; and amounts of assessment, payments, interest, and penalties for delinquency. No index. Hdw. 318 pp. 18 x 12 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

316. DITCH COMMISSIONERS' CASH BOOK, 1882-87. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements in ditch funds, showing date of receipt or disbursement, name of payer or payee, receipt or voucher number, fund debited or credited, purpose, and amount. Arr. chron. Hdw. 320 pp. 18 x 12 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

317. DITCH RECEIPTS, 1878--. 175 vols. Title varies:

1918-34, Ditch Tax Receipts.

Receipts and stubs for taxes paid for construction and maintenance of ditches, showing date, receipt number, amount paid, names of ditch and property owner, and location and description of property benefited. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 9 x 14 x 2. 161 vols., 1878-1925, attic stg. rm.; 14 vols., 1918--, Tr. vt.

318. GRAVEL ROAD REGISTER, 1907-16. 2 vols.

Record of receipts and disbursements for construction and maintenance of gravel roads, showing date, number of receipt or order, name of payer or payee, purpose, and amount. Arr. chron. Hdw. 218 pp. 17 x 20 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Tr. vt.

319. GRAVEL ROAD TAX RECEIPTS, 1884-99. 45 vols. 1886,

1895-96, missing. Title varies: Gravel Road Receipts.

Stub record of receipts for payments on gravel road assessments,

showing number of receipt, date, names of road and payer, title of account, and amount paid. Arr. alph. by twps. and taxing units. Hdw. 450 stubs. 8 x 14 x $1\frac{1}{4}$. Attic stg. rm.

Receipts and Disbursements

320. RECORD OF DEPOSITORY BALANCES, 1913--. 9 vols.

Record of balances of county funds in depositories, showing date of balance; number, date, and amount of warrant drawn; fund debited; total amount of expenditures; and balance. Arr. alph. by depositories and thereunder chron. Hdw. 204 pp. 17 x 13 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. 1913-July 6, 1934, Tr. vt.; Oct. 29, 1934--., Tr. off.

321. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT, 1914--. 4 vols.

Treasurer's monthly record of the condition of county funds, showing title of fund, total receipts or disbursements during the month, and credit balances or overdrafts. Arr. by titles of funds. Hdw. 200 pp. 20 x 16 x 1. Tr. vt.

322. CASH BOOK OF RECEIPTS OTHER THAN TAX PAYMENTS,

1880--. 18 vols. (1, and 17 vols. not numbered).

Title varies: Cash Book, Daily Balance Record,

Daily Balance of Cash and Depositories.

Record of all receipts other than taxes, showing date, balance at beginning and end of day, receipts and disbursements during the day, and summary of cash on hand. Arr. chron. Hdw. 646 pp. 16 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. 6 vols., 1880-Jan. 4, 1904, 1913-15, attic stg. rm.; 10 vols., Jan. 1, 1904-Apr. 30, 1909, Jan. 3, 1912-24, 1916-Nov. 1, 1936, Tr. vt.; 2 vols., May 1, 1909-Dec. 30, 1912, Nov. 2, 1936--., Tr. off.

323. REGISTER OF RECEIPTS, 1858-1924. 63 vols. (1-2, and 61 vols. not numbered). Nov. 5, 1895-1911, missing.

Title varies: Record of Receipts.

Record of receipts of all county revenue other than taxes, showing date, name of payer, purpose, and amount. Arr. chron. Hdw. 320 pp. 16 x 10 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. 3 vols., 1884-85, 1912-24, Tr. vt.; 60 vols., 1858-Nov. 4, 1895, attic stg. rm.

324. MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS, 1908-24. 4 vols.

Stub record of receipts of payments from all sources, showing date paid, serial number, amount received, name of payer, source of revenue, and names of account and fund charged. Arr. chron. Hdw. 200 pp. 16 x 11 x $1\frac{1}{4}$. 1908-11, attic stg. rm.; 1909-24, Tr. vt.

325. RECEIPT BOOK, 1934--. 1 vol.

Receipts issued by treasurer to auditor for money received from all sources except taxes, showing date, receipt number, amount received, and names of payer and fund charged. Arr. chron. Hdw. 99 pp. 17 x 12 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Tr. off.

326. RECEIPTS, 1932-34. 8 file boxes.

Receipts issued by treasurer to auditor for money received from all sources except taxes, showing date, receipt number, amount received, and names of payer and fund. Arr. chron. 12 x 20 x $19\frac{1}{2}$. Tr. vt.

327. TREASURER'S RECEIPTS, 1839-61. 8 file boxes.

Record of receipts of revenue from all sources, showing date, amount received, source of revenue, total receipts, and cash book reference. No index. 8 x 10 x 4. Attic stg. rm.

328. LEDGER OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1882--. 3 vols.
1895-1902, 1912-32, missing. Title varies: 1882-95,
Receipts and Disbursements.

Record of receipts to and disbursements from the county funds, showing date, number of receipt, name of payer or payee, fund debited or credited, source of revenue, nature of services rendered, performances, and total receipts and disbursements. Arr. chron. Hdw. 556 pp. 17 x 21 x 3. 1882-1911, attic stg. rm.; 1932--, Tr. off.

329. APPROPRIATION AND DISBURSEMENT RECORD, 1912-13.
2 vols. (1-2).

Record of county unit appropriations and disbursements, showing amount appropriated, date of warrant, name of payee, amount of payment, and balance. Arr. chron. Hdw. 300 pp. 16 x 19 x 1 3/4. 1 vol., 1912, attic stg. rm.; 1 vol., 1913, Tr. vt.

330. TREASURER'S REGISTER OF WARRANTS BY DEPOSITORIES,
1925--. 7 vols.

Record of warrants drawn on depositories, showing date and number of warrant, account charged, name of depository, and amount. Arr. chron. Hdw. 202 pp. 17 x 15 x 1 1/2. 4 vols., 1925-34, Tr. vt.; 3 vols., 1934--, Tr. off.

331. TREASURER'S REGISTER OF DISBURSEMENTS, 1910-24.

7 vols. (2-5, and 3 vols. not numbered). 1912-13,
missing. Title varies: 1910-11, Disbursement Record.

Record of disbursements of county funds, showing date and number of warrant, fund charged, nature of warrant, and amount. Arr. chron. Hdw. 250 pp. 18 x 24 x 1 1/2. Tr. vt.

332. CASH BOOK OF DISBURSEMENTS ON AUDITOR'S WARRANTS,
1912-24. 3 vols. (1-3).

Record of disbursements on warrants issued by auditor, showing dates drawn and redeemed, warrant number, name of payee, title of fund, and nature and amount of warrant. Arr. chron. Hdw. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Tr. vt.

For subsequent records, see entry 330.

333. JOURNAL (RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS OF TREASURER
AND AUDITOR), 1842-73. 3 vols.

Record of receipts and disbursements in county funds, showing source of revenue or nature of expenditures; order or warrant date, amount, and number; and name of payer or payee. Arr. chron. Hdw. 500 pp. 14 x 10 x 2. Attic stg. rm.

334. CHECKS, 1897-1925. 10 vols. Title varies:

The Monticello National Bank, Citizens Bank,
Farmers State Bank, White County Loan, Trust
and Savings Co.

Stubs of checks issued on banks and depositories, showing date, name of bank, check and order numbers, name of payee, and amount and nature of claim. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 103 pp. 18 x 14 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

335. REMITTANCE REGISTER, MONON BANK, 1887-92. 3 vols.

Record of checks issued on Monon Bank, showing check and order numbers, date, name of payee, amount, purpose, and fund charged. Arr. chron. Hdw. 140 pp. 16 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

336. COLLECTION REGISTER, MONON BANK, 1887-92. 1 vol.

Record of deposits, interest, and withdrawals of county funds, showing date of deposit, name and address of payer, and amounts and dates of payment and withdrawal. Arr. chron. Hdw. 140 pp. 16 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

School Funds

337. SCHOOL FUND RECEIPTS, 1901-24. 5 vols. 1907-10, missing.

Stub record of receipts issued upon payments of principal and interest on school fund loans, showing number of receipt and loan, name of payer, amount paid, dates covered by payment, and fund credited. Arr. chron. Hdw. 250 pp. 16 x 11 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. 1901-6, attic stg. rm.; 1911-24, Tr. vt.

338. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, SCHOOL PRINCIPAL, 1882-1910. 1 vol.

Itemized record of common school fund receipts and disbursements, showing date, number of receipt or warrant, name of payer or payee, penalties attached, distribution of allotments from levy to school unit, and source of revenue. Arr. chron. Hdw. 200 pp. 17 x 19 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

XV. AUDITOR

The auditor is a constitutional officer, elected for a four-year term. No person can hold the office for more than eight years in any period of twelve. (1) He is required to post bond in the amount of ten thousand dollars approved by and filed with the county commissioners. (2)

Prior to the Constitution of 1851, the office was established by the legislature of 1841. (3)

The auditor's office is the center of county financial administration, and here the financial records of county business are preserved.

The auditor's principal functions are fourfold: As a county "controller", he keeps the accounts of the county and issues warrants for all claims, including those approved by the commissioners. (4) Ex officio he acts as clerk to the board of commissioners, (5) the county council, (6) and the board of tax adjustment, (7) and as secretary to the board of finance. (8) He is also a member and the secretary of the board of review, (9) and a member of the school fund board. (10) As a tax officer, he prepares the official tax duplicates, (11) certifies to the treasurer the amount of taxes due from banks; (12) and, if the board of tax adjustment fails to complete its duties on time or to reduce the rate to the legal maximum, fixes the tax rate within any municipal corporation in the county. (13) As budget officer he compiles estimates made to him by each county agency; keeps them on file for one month,

subject to inspection by any taxpayer; and submits them with his recommendations to the county council at its annual meeting. (14)

Other routine duties are: Managing the common school and the congressional township school funds as a member of the school fund board, (15) preparing the ditch duplicate covering assessments for construction or repair of ditches and drains; (16) issuing licenses to peddlers, shows, and theatres, (17) and permits for public warehouses; (18) acknowledging deeds and mortgages executed for the security of trust funds; (19) and approving bonds of township trustees. (20)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Const., art. 6, sec. 2. | (11) Acts 1919; Burns 64-1403. |
| (2) Acts 1899; Burns 49-3003. | (12) Acts 1933; Burns 64-810. |
| (3) Acts 1841 (25th Sess.),
ch. 2, sec. 1. | (13) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 64-314. |
| (4) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-3005; Acts 1897;
Burns 26-806. | (14) Acts 1899; Burns 26-520. |
| (5) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-3004. | (15) Acts 1865; Burns 28-104;
Acts 1865, 1935; Burns,
1937 suppl., 28-209. |
| (6) Acts 1899; Burns 26-509. | (16) Acts 1933; Burns 27-134. |
| (7) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 64-310. | (17) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
42-204. |
| (8) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 61-620, 61-635. | (18) Acts 1875, 1879 (Spc.
Sess.); Burns 67-201. |
| (9) Acts 1919, 1920 (Spc.
Sess.); Burns 64-1201. | (19) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-3011. |
| (10) Acts 1865, 1935; Burns,
1937 suppl., 28-209. | (20) Acts 1915; Burns 65-103. |

Audits and Reports

339. RECORD OF MONTHLY BALANCE, 1913-24. 3 vols. (1-3).

1 vol., (4), 1925--, missing.

Record of balances in county funds, showing date of entry, .

Auditor

receipts and disbursements to funds, and balances at first and last of month. Arr. chron. Hdw. 102 pp. 19 x 15 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

340. CERTIFICATE OF DISTRIBUTION, 1912-34. 18 vols. (1-17, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of distribution of receipts to county funds, showing date disbursed, name and amount of fund, warrant number, and balance in fund. Arr. chron. Hdw. 150 pp. 16 x 12 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

341. COUNTY AUDITOR'S CERTIFICATE OF DISTRIBUTION, 1934-35. 8 bundles.

Certificates of distribution of receipts disbursed to county funds, showing date, names of fund and township trustee, amount and number of warrant, and balance in fund. Arr. chron. 8 x 8. Aud. vt.

342. SETTLEMENT SHEETS, 1892-97, 1925--. 19 file boxes.

Reports of county revenue received and disbursed, showing date collected, source of payments, amounts received and disbursed to state and county special funds, and balances. No index. 1 file box, 13 x 10 x 4; 18 file boxes, 33 x 4 x $3\frac{1}{2}$. 1 file box, 1892-97, Aud. vt.; 18 file boxes, 1925-36, Aud. off.

343. SETTLEMENT SHEETS, 1900-1924. 2 vols. Title varies:

1901-24, May Settlement; 1900-1923, December Settlement.

Record of county revenue, showing date collected; names of payer of taxes, costs, and fees; source of revenue; amount due state treasurer and county special funds; and itemized statement of collections. No index. Hdw. 100 pp. 32 x 18 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Attic.stg. rm.

344. AUDITOR'S REPORT OF FINANCE, 1920--. 1 file box.

Quarterly reports of county officials, showing date of report,

names of officers, source of revenue, total receipts and disbursements, and balance in special funds. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13.

Aud. vt.

345. STATISTICAL REPORT, 1918-20. In (School Report), entry 11.

County auditor's report of receipts and disbursements, showing date of report to State Bureau of Legislative Information, source of revenue, ^{state} amount received and disbursed to county special funds, and state government.

346. EXAMINER'S REPORT, 1921. In (School Report), entry 11. State examiner's reports of county unit's finances made to state treasurer, showing date of audit, receipts and disbursements of county revenue, and balances in special funds.

347. FIELD EXAMINER'S REPORT AND REPORT OF EXAMINATION BY EXPERTS, 1893--. 8 boxes.

Field examiner's reports on audit of county office's finances, showing date of report, names of officials, receipts and disbursements, and overdrafts and balances in special funds. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

348. CHANGE OF VENUE, 1910--. 2 file boxes.

Change of venue costs, showing dates of trial and venue change; names of plaintiff, defendant, and local and foreign county; cause number; certificates; number of days intervening after application; and accounting of costs of action. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

For other change of venue records, see entries 238-39.

349. CIRCUIT COURT ALLOWANCE RECORD, 1895--. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of court allowances for expenses incurred in suits before the court, showing date and number of order, nature of allowance, amount awarded to plaintiff or defendant, and total allowances made during action. Arr. chron. Hdw. 640 pp. 16 x 11 x 3. Aud. off.

350. (COURT ALLOWANCES), 1921-33. 5 boxes.

Reports of allowances made by court in suits in law, showing date of trial; names of plaintiff, defendant, and claimant; amount of allowance; award to plaintiff or defendant; and total amount allowed in suit. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

351. CIRCUIT COURT EXPENSES, 1892-1909, 1932-33. 4 file boxes.

Reports of circuit court expenses, showing names of county, court, and claimant; purpose; and amount. Arr. chron. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

352. OLD CIRCUIT COURT CERTIFICATES, 1915-23. 1 box.

Report of circuit court allowances, showing date, names of judge and county, kind of service, nature of allowance, mileage costs, fees, and certification of payee. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

353. REPORTS OF NAMES OF TRUSTEES TO SUPERINTENDENT, 1867-1917. 1 file box.

Certificates of acknowledgment to names of school trustees supplied to state and county school superintendents, showing names

of town, township, president of school board, secretary of school board, and treasurer of school board; and affidavit of auditor.

No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

354. SHERIFF'S MILEAGE RETURN OF FUGITIVES, 1926-33.

2 file boxes.

Record of sheriff's mileage expense for return of fugitives, showing date of report, mileage expense, and certificate of justice of the peace. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

355. MISCELLANEOUS RECEIPTS FROM COUNTY TREASURER, 1889--.

4 boxes.

Reports of treasurer's receipts made to auditor, showing date of report, name of payee, and source of revenue. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

356. TREASURER'S MONTHLY REPORT OF TAX COLLECTED, 1899-1913.

1 file box.

Depository reports of tax collection receipts, showing name of depository, depository interest accrued, total amount on deposit, and affidavit of treasurer. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

357. (SETTLEMENT SHEETS), 1858-99. 1 file box.

Original settlement sheets prepared by county treasurer, showing date of report, total revenue from all sources, total disbursements, and amounts in county special funds. Arr. chron. 13 x 10 x 7. Aud. vt.

358. TOWNSHIP LEDGER, 1860-1928. 2 vols.

Record of receipts and disbursements of township revenue, showing

date, source of revenue, and disbursements to special funds and county treasurer. No index. Hdw. 320 pp. 18 x 12 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. 1860-1928, Aud. vt.; 1873-74, Assr. off.

359. THE TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S ANNUAL REPORT TO ADVISORY BOARD, 1929--. 88 vols. Jan.-Dec. 1935, missing.

Record of township trustee's report to the advisory board of township, showing source of revenue, and disbursements to township and county funds. Arr. chron. Hdw. 56 pp. 11 x 14 x $\frac{1}{4}$. Aud. vt.

360. RECORD OF TRUSTEE'S SETTLEMENTS, 1880-83. 1 vol.

Record of treasurer's and depository balances of funds, and annual statements, showing location of funds, amounts received from all sources and disbursed, funds charged, depository interest, overdrafts, and balances at end of year. Arr. chron. Hdw. 380 pp. 18 x 12 x $1\frac{3}{4}$. Aud. vt.

361. TRUSTEE'S VOUCHERS, 1913--. 120 bundles and 3 boxes. 1919-21, missing.

Record of trustee vouchers, showing number, amount, and date of voucher; names of payee and claimant; fund credited; warrant number; purpose; and total amount disbursed. Arr. numerically by voucher nos. Boxes, 23 x 24 x 10; bdls., 6 x 3 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. 3 boxes, 1913-28, attic stg. rm.; 120 bdls., 1928--, Aud. vt.

362. BILLS FILED AGAINST TOWNSHIP TRUSTEES BY FIELD EXAMINER, 1900-1934. 1 file box.

Record of bills filed against township trustees by field examiners,

showing name of corporation, period of examination, day service, railroad fare per diem, total, expense voucher, number of voucher, office examined, period covered, amount due, signature of field examiner, and certificate. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

363. TRUSTEE'S REPORTS, 1860--. 21 file boxes. Labeled:
Trustee's Reports.

Record of trustee's reports to county commissioners of receipts and disbursements of all funds, showing date, source of revenue, amount of receipt, date paid out, name of payee, number of voucher, purpose, amount of expenditures, fund charged, trustee's service account, and nature and amount of service rendered. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

364. TRUSTEE'S REPORTS, DOG FUNDS, 1886--. 4 file boxes.

Record of township trustee's reports of dog tax collected and disbursed, showing report of receipts and expenditures, orders issued, source, amount of receipt, amount paid, fund charged, name of payee, and affidavit of trustee. Arr. chron. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

365. TOWNSHIP ASSESSOR'S DOG TAX REPORT, 1899-1915.

1 file box.

Dog tax report by township assessor to auditor, showing names of township, owner, and trustee; date; amount of tax; sex of animal; and allocation of funds. No index. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

Receipts and Disbursements

366. FEE AND CASH BOOK, 1893--. 3 vols. Title varies:
1893-1909, Cash Book.

Record of fees collected by auditor, and of cash transactions, showing date paid, name of payer, source of revenue other than fees, and total amount of receipts and disbursements. Arr. chron. Hdw. 416 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. 2 vols., 1893-1927, Aud. vt; 1 vol., 1927--., Aud. uff.

367. AUDITOR'S FEE BOOK AND FEE REGISTER, 1862-1911.

2 vols. May 17, 1864-April 2, 1871, missing.

Record of fees paid to auditor for service rendered, showing date; nature of service performed; amount charged, collected, and paid to treasurer; and name of payer. Indexed alph. by names of payers. Hdw. 405 pp. 15 x 10 x 1 3/4. 1 vol., 1862-May 16, 1864, attic stg. rm.; 1 vol., Apr. 3, 1871-1911, Aud. vt.

368. RECORD OF RECEIPTS, 1910-25. 3 vols. (1, 2, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of receipts issued for revenue in county, showing date, receipt number, total amount collected, fund charged, and source of revenue. Arr. chron. Hdw. 309 pp. 18 x 24 x 1 3/4. Aud. vt.

369. AUDITOR'S REGISTER OF ALL RECEIPTS OTHER THAN TAX
PAYMENTS, 1912-25. 1 vol.

Register of all receipts other than tax payments, showing date issued, receipt number, name of payer, fund charged, amount, and character of service rendered. No index. Hdw. 650 pp. 16 x 12 x 2 1/2. Aud. vt.

370. AUDITOR'S REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES, 1870-1917. 1 file box.

Record of receipts and disbursements of county units, showing date; names of official, unit, and fund; total receipts and disbursements; overdrafts; source of revenue; accounts and funds charged and credited; and balance in appropriations, funds, and cash. Arr. chron. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

371. RECORD OF EXPENDITURES, 1867-79. 2 vols. (2 and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of expenditures in the county units, showing date; names of official, vendor, unit, fund, and appropriation; itemized expenses; nature and character of expense; and total monthly and yearly amounts expended. Arr. chron. Hdw. 400 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 3/4. Attic stg. rm.

372. LEDGER (CASH ACCOUNTS), 1858-78. 1 vol.

Record of ledger entries of receipts and expenditures of the several county units, showing date of entry; names of fund, account, appropriation, and unit; source of revenue; nature and character of expense items; total receipts and disbursements; and journal page reference. Indexed alph. by names of payees and payers. Hdw. 640 pp. 16 x 11 x 2 1/2. Attic stg. rm.

373. COUNTY AUDITOR'S LEDGER OF RECEIPTS, APPROPRIATIONS, AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1925--. 5 vols.

Record of ledger entries of receipts and disbursements, and appropriation accounting, showing names of unit, fund, and

appropriation; source of revenue; nature of expense items; balances; overdrafts; and journal page reference. Arr. numerically by appropriation nos. Hdw. 800 pp. 17 x 15 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

374. RECORD OF APPROPRIATIONS AND LEDGER OF ACCOUNTS, 1900-1925. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of ledger entries of revenue expenditures and accounting in appropriations and funds, showing date of entry; names of account, fund, appropriation, county units, vendors, and contractors; nature of expenditures; warrant amount and number; amount appropriated to each fund; balances; and journal page reference. Indexed alph. by names of funds. Hdw. 428 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{4}$. Aud. vt.

375. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, County Officer's Fees, 1893-1900. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and disbursements of fees of each county office, showing date, amount of receipts and disbursements, receipt number, and names of offices and officers. Arr. chron. Hdw. 636 pp. 16 x 11 x $2\frac{1}{4}$. Aud. vt.

376. APPROPRIATION AND DISBURSEMENT RECORD, 1912-24. 6 vols. (1-6). 1925--, missing.

Record of receipts and disbursements in county appropriation funds, showing date of appropriation, amount of fund, debits or credits, balance in fund, number and amount of warrant, amount of overdraft, and addition to fund. No index. Hdw. 520 pp. 16 x 19 x $1\frac{3}{4}$. Aud. vt.

377. DISBURSEMENT RECORD, 1909-11. 1 vol.

Record of disbursements of county funds, showing date, warrant number, name of payee, nature of expense items, and total of warrants and disbursements. Arr. chron. Hdw. 228 pp. 17 x 20 x 2 3/4. Aud. vt.

378. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, 1881-1909. 6 vols. (1-2, 1, 1)

Record of receipts and disbursements of county funds, showing date of order, receipt order number, names of payer or payee, and vendor, purpose, amount, and total received or disbursed. No index. Hdw. 367 pp. 20 x 17 x 2 1/2. Aud. vt.

379. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, School Principal, 1881-1909. 1 vol.

Record of receipts and expenditures in school fund principal, showing date of entry, source of revenue, nature of expenditures, totals, and balance in fund. No index. Hdw. 209 pp. 17 x 20 x 2 1/2. Aud. vt.

380. RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS, Taxes, 1882-1910. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of receipts and disbursements of tax revenue, showing source of revenue; nature of expenditures; funds, accounts, and appropriations debited or credited; order and warrant numbers; and total amounts and balances. No index. Hdw. 418 pp. 17 x 20 x 2 1/2. Aud. vt.

381. ORDERS, 1907-24. 24 vols.

Stubs of orders issued on auditor for payment of county expense

items, showing date of order; name of vendor, payee, and fund; amount and number of order; nature of expense; and total amount. Arr. numerically by stub and check nos. Hdw. 1,000 stubs, 18 x 18 x 1. 7 vols., 1907-13, Aud. vt.; 17 vols., 1914-24, attic stg. rm.

382. REGISTER OF ORDERS, 1857-82. 5 vols. (3, 3, 4, and 2 vols. not numbered).

Register of all orders issued on auditor for payment of county expenses, showing date of order, name of payee, nature of claim, amount and number of order, and accumulated interest. Arr. chron. Hdw. Condition poor. 360 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Attic stg. rm.

383. REGISTER OF COUNTY ORDERS REDEEMED, 1870-82. 2 vols. (2, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Register of redeemed county orders, showing date, name of payee, nature of expense item, amount and number of order, and fund charged. Arr. chron. Hdw. 400 pp. 16 x 21 x 2. Aud. vt.

384. (ORDERS REDEEMED), 1843-1914. 29 file boxes. July 1867-84, missing.

Record of county orders redeemed and registered, showing date, order number, name of payee, amount, certifying office, and nature of claim. Arr. chron. 10 file boxes, 6 x 5 x 9; 19 file boxes, 10 x 4 x 13. 1843-67, attic stg. rm.; 1885-1914, Aud. vt.

385. AUDITOR'S STUBS, 1911-13. 2 file boxes.

Stubs and duplicates of auditor's orders on treasurer, showing date, appropriation and account number, stub number, amount,

names of vendor and claimant, and nature of claim. Arr. numerically by stub and duplicate nos. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

386. AUDITOR'S REGISTER OF WARRANTS, 1912--. 12 vols. (1-3, and 9 vols. not numbered). Title varies: Record of Warrants.

Record of duplicate and original copies of warrants issued against county funds, showing date of issue, warrant number, names of payee and vendor, amount of warrant, amount credited to county fund, appropriation number, and court ordering allowance. Arr. chron. Hdw. and typed. 642 pp. 18 x 12 x 3. Aud. vt.

387. WARRANTS REDEEMED, 1912-27. 12 boxes. Title varies: Warrants, Canceled Warrants.

Record of county warrants redeemed and canceled, showing date paid, number of warrant, names of fund and payee, amount, purpose, and fund or account credited. Arr. chron. 8 boxes, 10 x 4 x 13; 4 boxes, 10 x 7 x 13. Aud. vt.

388. COUNTY WARRANT STUBS, 1918-21. 1 file box.

Stubs of county warrants, showing date issued, numbers of warrant and stub, type of fund charged, amount, purpose, and name of payee. Arr. numerically by warrant nos. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

- 38 389. WARRANTS, 1900-1901. 1 file box.

Redeemed warrants, showing date redeemed, amount and number of warrant, name of payee, nature of claim, and fund charged. No index. Condition fair. 8 x 4 x 10. Attic stg. rm.

390. QUIETUS, 1905-24. 3 vols.

Stub record of quietus issued by auditor on receipt of certified

application to pay, showing date issued, name of applicant or payer, amount, serial number, fund and account charged, and book and page references. Arr. numerically by quietus nos. Hdw. 1,000 stubs, 18 x 12 x 1. Aud. vt.

391. QUIETUS, Delinquent Taxes, 1873-95. 105 vols.
Record of tax quietus issued by auditor on receipt of certified application to pay, showing date issued, name of applicant or payer, amount, penalties attached, serial number, fund account charged, and book and page references. Arr. numerically by names of twps. Hdw. Condition fair. 200 pp. 4 x 11 x 1. Attic stg. rm.

392. POOR RELIEF PETITIONS, 1933-34. 1 file box.
Poor relief reports and petitions. Contains: Trustee's Report to Governor's Commission on Unemployment Relief, entry 393; Petition for Additional Aid, entry 394. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

393. TRUSTEE'S REPORT TO GOVERNOR'S COMMISSION ON UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF, 1934. In Poor Relief Petitions, entry 392.
Record of monthly unemployment relief report of township trustee to Governor's Commission on Unemployment Relief, showing itemized statement of obligation incurred for unemployment relief, and certificate of acknowledgment.

394. PETITIONS FOR ADDITIONAL AID, 1933-34. In Poor Relief Petitions, entry 392.
Record of township trustee's request for additional aid for poor, showing name of township; name, age, family status, previous

education, condition of health, fitness for labor, capacity or ability for work, and case history of person receiving relief; and amount of aid given. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

395. LEDGER OF TOWNSHIP POOR RELIEF, County Auditor,
1935--. 1 vol.

Record of township poor relief, showing financial status of each township, dates and numbers of receipt and warrants, memorandum folio, disbursements, receipts, and balance. Arr. alph. by names of twps. Hdw. 500 pp. 10 x 13 x $2\frac{1}{4}$. Aud. vt.

396. REGISTER OF POOR FUND CLAIMS, County Auditors, 1935--. 1 vol.

Ledger of claims filed against the poor relief fund, showing dates filed and paid, claim number, name of vendor, amount of claim, certification, and amount and number of warrant. Arr. alph. by names of twps. Hdw. 500 pp. 12 x 17 x 2. Aud. vt.

Taxes

Appraisements

397. TRANSFER BOOK, 1838--. 226 vols. 1892, missing.

Record of transfer of real estate, showing names of owners, grantee, and grantor; description, location, amount, and valuation of land and lots; names of towns and additions; kind of deed or instrument; and date and fee of transfer. Indexed alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 360 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. 1838-91, attic stg. rm; 1892-1931, Aud. vt.; 18 vols., 1932--, Aud. off.

398. VALUATION OF REAL ESTATE, 1864, 1869. 2 vols.

Record of real estate assessments, showing name of owner; and description, location, appraised value, improvements, and total valuation of lands and lots. Arr. alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 600 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. Attic stg. rm.

399. LIST OF SWAMP LANDS, 1845-54. 1 vol.

List of swamp lands, abstracts of entries of canal lands, and abstracts of sales of swamp and university lands, showing date of purchase, description, location, acreage, valuation per acre, and total valuation of lands. No index. Hdw. 400 pp. 17 x 10 x 2. Aud. vt.

400. ENUMERATION, White and Colored Males, 1864-1931.

193 vols.

Record of enumerations of white and colored males over 21 years of age, showing names, address, color, age, birthplace, and registration number. Arr. alph. by names of residents. Hdw. 125 pp. 10 x 14 x 3/4, 76 vols., 1864-1931, wlf. off.; 117 vols., 1871-95, attic stg. rm.; 1895-1931, Aud. vt.

401. POPULATION, Enumeration, 1866-95. 1 file box.

Reports of population enumeration of white and colored male inhabitants over 21 years of age, showing name of township; number of residents in township and county; age, birthplace, color, and race of male; and grand total of census. No index. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

402. STATEMENTS OF CORPORATIONS, 1894-1930. 6 file boxes.

Corporation statements, showing date of report, names of corporation and officers, address of local and home office, assessed value, exemptions, and certification for taxation by state board of tax commissioners. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

403. STATISTICAL BOOK, 1874-1922. 14 vols.

Record of statistics of production of livestock and farm products, showing name, race, and color of farm tenant; acreage owned and rented; amounts of timber, pasture, orchard and unused land; amount and kind of crops; number of head and age of stock; and inventory of miscellaneous farm equipment. No index. Hdw. 100 pp. 16 x 10 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

404. STATISTICS, 1873-76. 1 file box.

Transcripts of statistics, showing quantity and kind of agricultural products raised in county, farm animals owned, breed of live stock raised, quantity of processed products, manufactured articles produced, and name of township. No index. Condition fair. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

Returns

405. ASSESSOR'S REGISTER, 1878--. 7 vols. (1-4, 1, and 2 vols. not numbered). Title varies: 1905-11, Record of Mortgages.

Register of mortgage exemptions filed, showing date filed, names of mortgagee and mortgagor, type of instrument, amount of exemption, and acknowledgment. Indexed alph. by names of mortgagees. Hdw. 320 pp. 17 x 15 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Assr. off.

406. CERTIFIED COPIES, MORTGAGES, 1901-7. 4 file boxes.

Certified copies of mortgage indebtedness to secure mortgage exemption, showing names of affiant, mortgagee, and mortgagor; addresses of mortgagee and mortgagor; description of property; amount of indebtedness; and signatures of affiant and auditor. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

407. FORESTRY RECORD, 1899-1903. 1 vol.

Record of forest preserves, showing name of owner, description and location of tract, description of portion for permanent forest reservation, and signature of owner. Indexed alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 406 pp. 14 x 9 x 1 3/4. Aud. vt.

Lists .

408. ASSESSOR'S BOOK, 1868--. 1028 vols.

Record of real estate valuations, showing date appraised; names of owner, township, and town; and description, location, and value of land and lots. Arr. alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 210 pp. 18 x 11 x 1. 1868-1929, attic stg. rm.; 1929--, Assr. off.

409. ASSESSMENTS OF REAL ESTATE AND IMPROVEMENTS, 1915-22.

3 file boxes. 1920-21, missing.

Record of assessments of real estate, showing names of township, county, and owner; description of inlots and outlots; and location and valuation of lands and improvements. Arr. by names of twps. Condition fair. 23 x 24 x 30. Attic stg. rm.

410. ASSESSMENT LISTS, 1880--. 685 vols. Prior to 1880, missing.

Record of individual property and personal tax assessment lists, showing date assessed; name, address, age, and occupation of owner; values of real and personal property, and chattels; and number of polls. Indexed alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 500 pp. 16 x 8 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. 1880-1929, attic stg. rm.; 1930--, Assr. off.

411. ABSTRACT OF ASSESSMENTS, 1874-1914. 1 file box.

Abstracts of assessment of corporations, banks, and trust companies, showing date assessed, names of stockholders, itemized value of stock, property report of board of equalization, and notification to county auditor. No index. 10 x 7 x 13. Aud. vt.

412. ABSTRACTS OF THE DUPLICATE, 1870-96. 2 file boxes.

Abstracts of the duplicates of taxable property, showing date; names of township, town, and owner; valuation of land, lots, and improvements; and lists of property and polls taxed. Arr. chron. Condition fair. 10 x 7 x 13. Aud. vt.

413. ABSTRACTS, 1926. 4 file boxes.

Abstracts of property assessments, showing date, names of owner and township, value of lands and improvements, deduction for mortgage indebtedness, soldier exemption, and total acreage assessed. Arr. chron. 4 x 3 x 33. Aud. off.

Delinquent and Erroneous

414. RECORD OF DELINQUENT LANDS AND LOTS, 1842-54. 1 vol.

Record of lands and lots returned delinquent by treasurer for non-payment of taxes, showing names of township and owner; description, location, and value of land; total value with improvements; total amount delinquent; and penalty. Arr. chron. Hdw. Condition fair. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. Aud. vt.

415. DELINQUENT TAX ABSTRACT SHEETS, 1935. 1 vol.

Record of delinquent taxes, showing date; name of owner; description of chattels; description, location, and value of property; total amount delinquent; amount of penalty; and duplicate number. No index. Typed. 144 pp. 21 x 16 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

416. REGISTER OF SALES, 1842---. 3 vols. (1,1-2). Subtitled:
1842-1880, Original.

Record of sales of property, real and personal, made by treasurer, showing date; name of owner; certificate number; location, description, and value of land; date of redemption; and by whom redeemed. Arr. chron. Hdw. 600 pp. 17 x 15 x 3. Aud. vt.

417. TAX SALE NOTICES, 1926-30. 1 file box.

Notices of sales of land and lots to be sold for non-payment of taxes, showing name of owner; certificate number; description, location, and value of property, real and personal; amount of taxes due; and penalties. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

418. RECEIPTS FOR TAX SALES, 1899-1912. 1 file box.

Record of receipts issued to purchasers of real and personal property sold for non-payment of taxes, showing date of sale, names of owner and purchaser, amount delinquent, purchase price, location and description of property, and penalty. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

419. TAX CERTIFICATES REDEEMED, 1881--. 9 file boxes.

Tax sale certificates redeemed by owners on payment of taxes, penalties, and costs; showing date of redemption; names of owner and purchaser; amount of taxes delinquent; purchase price; amounts of redemption, penalty, and cost; and location and description of property. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

420. MINUTES OF DEEDS, 1844-67. 1 vol.

Minutes of deeds made by auditor for lands and lots sold for taxes, showing date of execution, names of owner and purchaser, certificate number, date of sale, description and quantity of land sold, and purchase price. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. Aud. vt.

421. CERTIFICATE OF ERRONEOUS TAXES, 1904--. 5 vols.

Stubs of receipts issued upon refund of erroneous taxes, showing date of certificate, numbers and amounts of warrant and refund, and cause of error. Arr. numerically by warrant numbers. Hdw. 100 pp. 16 x 14 x $\frac{1}{2}$. 3 vols., 1904-May 6, 1929, Aud. vt.; June 21, 1929--, Aud. off.

422. CERTIFICATE OF ERRONEOUS ASSESSMENTS, 1891-1915.

1 file box.

Certificates of erroneous assessments and improper charges of

taxes, showing treasurer's statements of refund of erroneous taxes paid, date of payment, name of taxpayer, cause of error, tax duplicate number and amount, and amount of refund. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

Plat Books

423. PLAT BOOK, 1875-1928. 117 vols.

Record of plats and additions of county, showing description and names of lots, streets, alleys, and sections; and lot and plat drawings with distinction marks. Arr. alph. Hdw. 100 pp. 17 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. 1911-28, Aud. off.; 1875-1925, attic stg. rm.

Public Improvements

424. GRAVEL ROAD TAX DUPLICATES, 1874-1908. 156 vols.

Record of gravel road tax duplicates and delinquent amounts; showing names of owner and township, description and location of land, and total assessment penalties and interest for first and second installments. Arr. alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 40 pp. 17 x 16 x $\frac{1}{2}$. 151 vols., 1874-1908, attic stg. rm.; 5 vols., 1898-99, Aud. vt.

425. GRAVEL ROAD TAX DUPLICATE AND DELINQUENT LISTS,
1883. 1 vol.

Record of gravel road tax duplicates, showing name of owner; description, location, and amount of land; amounts of assessment and taxes; total amount for year; and delinquencies for first and second installments. No index. Hdw. 316 pp. 17 x 16 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. Assr. off.

426. ROAD TAX LIST, 1905. 1 vol.

Record of list of properties assessed for road benefits, showing name of owner; description, location, and amount of land; total value of taxables; polls; and amounts assessed and levied. Arr. alph. by names of owners. Hdw. 100 pp. 16 x 10 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

427. GRAVEL ROAD REGISTER, 1886-1919. 6 vols.

Register of receipts and disbursements in gravel road fund, showing date, number of receipt or order, to whom issued, name of road, and total amount. No index. Hdw. 242 pp. 20 x 17 x $\frac{1}{4}$. 2 vols., 1907-19, Aud. vt.; 4 vols., 1886-1909, Attic stg. rm.

428. AUDITOR'S ROAD RECORD, 1921-32. 1 vol.

Record of expenditures for services and supplies in construction of roads, showing date, number of order, name of vendor, amount of appropriation, cost of construction, and balance or overdraft. Indexed alph. by names of roads. Hdw. 320 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 3/4. Aud. vt.

429. GRAVEL ROAD ACCOUNTS, 1882-1901. 1 vol.

Record of disbursement of funds for gravel road construction, showing date and amount disbursed, name of payee, and nature of service.. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 115 pp. 12 x 7 x 1/4. Aud. vt.

430. DITCH ACCOUNTS, 1892-1901. 1 vol.

Record of disbursements for ditch construction and repairs, showing date, names of payee and ditch, and nature and amount of service. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 288 pp. 12 x 8 x 3/4. Aud. vt.

431. ROAD TAX RECEIPTS, 1915-17. 2 file boxes.

Record of road tax receipts for labor in lieu of tax levy, showing date; names of road, district, and township; number of days or hours of labor performed; amount allowed for services; and assessed value of property. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

432. DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS OF STREET IMPROVEMENTS, 1930--.
1 file box.

Record of delinquent street improvement assessments, showing date, names of street and property owner, and amounts of assessment and delinquency. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

433. FIVE MILE DITCH REGISTER, 1905-31. 2 vols. (1-2).

Record of receipts and disbursements in five mile ditch fund, showing date, number of receipt or order, names of payee and payer, cost of construction, amount of appropriation, total amount, and balance on hand. Arr. alph. by names of ditch owners. Hdw. 400 pp. 17 x 14 x 2. Aud. vt.

434. DITCH RECEIPTS, BONDED DITCHES, 1903-5. 1 vol.

Stub record of receipts issued by auditor for taxes received on bonded ditches, showing date, receipt number, names of payer and ditch, amount received, and description and location of ditch. Arr. numerically. Hdw. 500 pp. 16 x 11 x 3/4. Aud. vt.

435. DITCH CERTIFICATES REDEEMED, 1888-1904. 3 file boxes.

Record of surveyor's certifications to construct ditches, showing date, number of certificate, names of ditch and contractor, location of ditch, amounts of allotment and appropriation, and amount due for construction. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

School Funds
(See also entries 299-300, 337-38)

436. SCHOOL FUND APPRAISER'S ACCOUNT, 1886--. 1 vol.

Title varies: Mortgages.

Record of school fund appraiser's accounts by districts, showing date, names of landowner and appraiser, and amount paid or unpaid. Arr. chron. Hdw. Condition fair. 278 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. Aud. off.

437. REGISTER OF SCHOOL FUND LOANS, 1868--. 4 vols.

(4-6, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Register of loans of school funds, showing number, amount, and date of loan; name and address of borrower; description and location of property; and dates payments due, paid, and discharged. Indexed alph. by names of mortgagors. Hdw. 610 pp.

18 x 12 x 2 $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

438. ORDERS SCHOOL FUND LOANS, 1899-1910. 1 vol. (3).

Vols. 1-2, prior to 1899, missing.

Stub record of orders on school fund for mortgage loans, showing number, amount, and date of loan; and name of mortgagee.

Arr. numerically by order nos. Hdw. 340 pp. 16 x 11 x $\frac{1}{4}$.

Aud. vt.

439. REGISTER OF ORDERS, CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUND,

1848-81. 2 vols. Title varies: Order Book School Fund.

Register of orders on the congressional school fund, issued by the auditor, showing date, claim number, name of claimant, and nature and amount of service. Arr. chron. Hdw. 250 pp.

14 x 10 x 1. Aud. vt.

440. JOURNAL OF CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUND, 1854-81.

4 vols. Title varies: Ledger of the Congressional School Fund.

Record of the receipts for money paid on school fund mortgage loans, showing date and amount of mortgage paid, ledger page reference, and cash account number. Arr. chron. Hdw. 431 pp.

16 x 11 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. 1 vol., Aud. vt.; 3 vols., attic stg. rm.

441. (SCHOOL FUND MORTGAGES), 1926--. In School Fund
Mortgages and Approvals, entry 299.

Mortgages given for money loaned from school fund, including abstract of title to the land mortgaged and insured; showing date and amount of mortgage; names of mortgagor, mortgagee, insurance firm, and auditor; location and description of lands; abstract of title; and insurance policies.

442. SCHOOL FUND MORTGAGE EXTENSIONS, June 22-Sept. 30,
1933. 1 file box.

Record of school fund mortgage loan extensions, showing date and amount of loan, name of mortgagor, description and location of real estate, maturity date, and amount of re-appraisement.

Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

443. REGISTER OF RECEIPTS CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUND,
1853-81. 1 vol.

Register of receipts in congressional school funds, showing amount and date of loan; range and receipt numbers; names of town, payer, and fund credited; nature of disposal; and amount and penalties paid. Arr. chron. Hdw. 480 pp. 16 x 11 x 1 3/4. Aud. vt.

444. RECORDS, (CONGRESSIONAL TOWNSHIP REVENUE), 1837-62.
1 vol.

Miscellaneous records of townships, including surplus revenue, interest on surplus revenue, and polls for election of school trustees; showing date of entry; names of payee, candidate, borrower, and grantor and grantee; source of revenue; fund credited; amount of payment; receipts and disbursements;

and disposal of funds. No index. Hdw. Condition fair.

350 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. Aud. vt.

445. RECORD OF SCHOOL LANDS SOLD, 1838-62. 2 vols.

A, and 1 vol. not lettered). Title varies:

1838-56, Register of Salo School Lands and Plots.

Register of sales of school lands, showing date, number of certificate, name of purchaser, description and location of land sold, price per acre, total amount paid, balance due, and principal and interest. Indexed alph. by names of purchasers.

Hdw. 400 pp. 16 x 11 x 2. Aud. vt.

446. RECORD OF PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST, (School Fund),

1860-77. 1 vol.

Register of school fund loans, showing date and amount of loan, name of borrower, and interest rate. Arr. alph. by names of borrowers. Hdw. Condition fair. 236 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. Aud. vt.

447. TREASURER'S SCHOOL FUND RECEIPTS, (Loans), 1894-1900.

2 file boxes.

Treasurer's school fund receipts of payments on principal and interest on loans, showing date, school fund loan number, name of borrower, and amount and type of loan. No index. Hdw.

13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

448. REGISTER OF SCHOOL FUND INTEREST, Aug. 9-Sept. 14,

1933. 1 vol.

Record of school fund loans and sale contracts; showing dates of loan, sale, and payments; names of borrower and purchaser;

amounts of principal, interest, installment, and balance; treasurer's receipt number for payments made; and contract and loan numbers. Indexed alph. by names of title-holders. Hdw. 320 pp. 16 x 12 x 2. Aud. vt.

449. SCHOOL FUND QUIETUS, 1911-24. 3 vols.

Stub record of quietus receipts issued by auditor upon receipt of treasurer's receipt for amount paid on school fund loan, showing date and amount paid, quietus and school fund loan numbers, and name of borrower. No index. Hdw. 1000 pp. 16 x 14 x 1. Aud. vt.

450. CERTIFICATES OF PURCHASE OF SCHOOL LANDS, 1841-95.

1 file box.

Purchase contracts in sale of school lands; showing date of sale; name of purchaser; location, description, and appraised value of land; and certificate of purchase. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

451. APPORTIONMENT OF COMMON SCHOOL FUND, 1864-1910. 3

file boxes.

Reports of apportionment of state and county common school fund and state tuition revenue to the several school units of the county; showing date of distribution, name of school unit, amount distributed to each, school unit enumeration, and totals of state school fund and tuition tax. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

452. (DISTRIBUTION OF CONGRESSIONAL SCHOOL FUNDS),

1878-1914. 2 file boxes.

Photostat copies of the distribution made by auditor of congressional township school fund revenue principal and interest; showing date of distribution, name of the school unit, enumeration by units, amount and proportion to each unit, and certificate of distribution. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

453. (TRANSFERS OF SCHOOL CHILDREN), 1908-9. 1 file box.

Reports on costs of transportation of school children, county to county, showing date of report; names of counties, schools, and children transferred; costs and amount due, county attendance cost per capita; and township trustee's certificate. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

454. (CANCELED WARRANTS), 1916-24. 3 file boxes.

School treasurer's canceled warrants, showing date and amount of warrant; names of payee, vendor, and fund charged or credited; nature of service performed, and source of revenue. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

455. CURRENT SCHOOL FUND RECEIPTS, 1910-24. 1 file box.

Record of school fund loan payments, showing date and amounts of loan and interest payment, name of borrower, fund loan number, and fund charged or credited. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

456. AUDITOR'S SEMI-ANNUAL REPORT OF SCHOOL REVENUE, 1870-1916. 1 file box.

Auditor's semi-annual report to state superintendent of public instruction for purpose of apportionment, showing name of school corporation, enumeration of school children, amount of revenue apportioned to school unit, source and total amount of distribution, and affidavit of auditor. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

457. AUDITOR'S REPORT OF FINANCES, 1869--. In (School Reports), entry 11.

Reports of auditor to state superintendent of public instruction regarding apportionment of school revenue to school units, showing names of school corporation and township, amount and source of revenue, and total apportionment from all revenues to each school unit. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

458. SPECIAL REVENUE COLLECTED, 1883--. 2 file boxes.
(In School Reports), entry 11.

Auditor's report to state superintendent of public instruction, of special school revenue collected, showing name of school corporation, general and special tax levies, purpose of levy and bond issues, source of revenue, and disposal of funds.

459. SEMI-ANNUAL STATEMENT OF SCHOOL REVENUE, 1879--.
In (School Reports), entry 11.

Reports of the auditor to the state superintendent of public instruction, showing date of report, source of revenue collections for common and township school funds, and notice of date open for distribution to county school units.

Auditor

460. CONDITION REPORT OF SCHOOL FUNDS, 1926--. In (School Reports), entry 11.

Reports of board of county commissioners to state superintendent of public instruction on conditions of congressional township and common school funds, showing type and amount of fund, condition of school fund, and certifications of auditor, treasurer, and commissioners.

Official Bonds
(See also entries 89-91)

461. BOND RECORD, SCHOOL TRUSTEES, 1910-34. 1 vol.

Record of bonds of township school trustees, showing date sworn; names of officials, school corporations, and sureties; term of office, amount of bond, condition of obligations, and address of surety. Indexed alph. by names of sureties. 1910-Aug. 11, 1915, hdw.; Aug. 4, 1915-34, typed. 260 pp. 14 x 8 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

462. TRUSTEE'S BOND RECORD, 1882--. 1 vol.

Record of bonds of township trustees, showing date and amount of bond, names of principal and sureties, condition of obligation, tenure of office, and address of official. Arr. chron. 1882-1922, hdw.; 1926--, typed. 240 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Aud. vt.

463. TRUSTEE'S BOND, 1882-92. 1 file box.

Official bonds of township trustees, showing date sworn, names of principal and surety, amount of bond, address of surety, and expiration date of office. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

464. AUDITOR'S BONDS, 1930--. 1 file box.

Official bonds of county auditor, showing date sworn, names and addresses of official and surety, amount of bond, and tenure of office. No index. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

465. INDEX OF BONDS, not dated. 1 vol.

Index to bonds of county officials, showing names and addresses of official and surety, book and page references, and date of entering office. Indexed alph. by names of officials. Hdw. 400 pp. 16 x 11 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

466 omitted in the numbering.

Miscellaneous

467. (PROOF OF PUBLICATION), 1910--. 4 file boxes.

Proof of publication, showing dates of affidavit and publication, names of publisher and newspaper, and length of publication. No index. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

468. ENUMERATION OF FAMILIES OF SOLDIERS, SEAMEN, AND MARINES, 1865. 1 vol.

Record of families of soldiers, seamen, and marines in the service of the United States, and of those who have become disabled or have died while in the service; showing number disabled and who have died during service, and name and number of dependants of veteran. Arr. chron. by twps. Hdw. Condition fair. 50 pp. 15 x 10 x $\frac{1}{4}$. Aud. vt.

For other military records, see entries 121, 146.

Maps

469. WHITE COUNTY, not dated. 60 maps.

Physical plats of swamp land areas of White County. Scale not given. 11 x 11. Aud. vt.

470. WHITE COUNTY, 1935. 1 map.

Communications and political map, showing townships, rivers, towns, lakes, sections, and road numbers. Drawn by Sikko Swartz. Published at Monticello, Indiana, by Sikko Swartz. Blueprint. Scale: 1" to 1 mile. 32 x 28. Aud. off.

471. WHITE COUNTY, 1908. 1 map.

Communications map, showing townships, sections, rivers, lakes, roads, and railroads. Color print. Scale: 5/8" to 1 mile. 42 x 45. Aud. off.

472. COUNTY ROADS, STATE HIGHWAYS, DITCHES, AND BRIDGES, 1892-30. 30 roll maps.

Political and communications maps, showing highways, ditches, and bridges. Blueprint. Black and white. Scale not given. 20 x 30. Aud. vt.

473. DRAINAGE MAP OF WHITE COUNTY, 1930. 1 map.

Political map of county drainage, showing different levels, and course of drainage. Drawn by Sikko Swartz. Published at Monticello, Indiana, by Sikko Swartz. Blueprint. Scale: 1" to 1 mile. 30 x 32. Aud. off.

XVI. REGISTRATION OFFICER

By an act of 1933, the clerk of the circuit court is designated as ex-officio registration officer of the county. He has full charge and control of the registration of voters and appoints as many deputies as are necessary to do the work. (1) The inception date of this office in White County is 1934.

As ex-officio registration officer, the clerk of the circuit court is required to provide all the necessary books and paraphernalia for the registering of voters. (2)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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- (1) Acts 1933, 1935; Burns, 1937 suppl., 29-306. (2) Acts 1933; Burns 29-309.

474. REGISTER OF NOTICE TO HOLD RESIDENCE, 1890-1916.

1 vol.

Register of notices from voters certifying residence in given ward and precinct, showing date; name, age, and residence of voter; and numbers of ward and precinct. Arr. alph. by names of voters. Hdw. 250 pp. 16 x 11 x 1. Clk. vt.

475. REGISTER OF NOTICE TO BECOME A VOTER, 1890-1908.

1 vol.

Register of notices to become qualified electors, showing date; name and age of petitioner; and residence by street, precinct, ward, and town. Arr. alph. by names of petitioners. Hdw. 340 pp. 16 x 11 x 1 $\frac{1}{4}$. Attic stg. rm.

476. REGISTRATION BOOK OF MALE AND FEMALE VOTERS, 1912-24.

413 vols.

Record of registration of electors, showing date registered; name, residence, ward and precinct, age, and birthplace of voter; date naturalized; and prior residence, 360 vols., indexed by names of voters; 53 vols. by precinct registration nos. Hdw. 70 pp. 17 x 14 x $\frac{1}{4}$. 365 vols., 1912-24, attic stg. rm.; 53 vols., 1918-20, Wfr. off.

477. (REGISTRATION LISTS OF VOTERS), Aug. 6-Sept. 6, 1920.

1 file box.

Registration list of voters, showing name of chairman, name and residence of voter, numbers of ward and precinct, and attest of registration clerk. Arr. chron. 10 x 13 x 4. Aud. vt.

478. ABSENT VOTERS' RECORD, 1918--. 3 vols. (2, 2, and 1 vol. not numbered).

Record of votes cast by absentee voters, showing date application was received, name and address of voter, date on which and post-office address to which ballot was mailed, date ballot was marked, name of witness, and date ballot received for tally. Arr. chron. Hdw. 400 pp. 16 x 12 x 1 $\frac{3}{4}$. Clk. vt.

XVII. BOARD OF PRIMARY ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

The board of primary election commissioners was provided for by an act of 1915. It consists of the clerk of the circuit court, and two persons appointed by him, one from each of the two major political parties; each of whom is nominated in writing by the chairman of the county central committee of the two political parties respectively. It is the duty of the board to prepare and distribute the primary ballots and generally supervise the primary elections. (1) The canvass of the primary votes is done by the county board of canvassers. (2) The inception date of this office in White County is 1916.

All the records are located in the clerk's vault in the courthouse.

(1) Acts 1915, 1917; Burns
29-504.

(2) Acts 1915; Burns
29-560.

479. (ELECTION PAPERS), 1932-33. 44 pamphlets.

Election material. Contains: Poll Book, entry 480; Tally sheet for District, Circuit and County Officers, entry 484; Certificate and Memoranda of Total Votes, entry 485. No index. 16 x 10 x 1/16.

480. POLL BOOK, 1932-33. In (Election Papers), entry 479.

Election clerk's record, showing serial number, voter's name and residence, and poll clerk's signature.

481. ELECTION RECORDS, 1890--. 2 vols. (1,1).

Election records. Contains: Primary Election Record, entry 482; General Election Record, entry 489; Election Returns, entry 483. Arr. by election districts. 500 pp. 18 x 12 x 2.

482. PRIMARY ELECTION RECORD, 1916--. In Election Records,
entry 481.

Record of vote cast, and minutes of commissioners, showing date;
township,, ward, and precinct; name of candidate and office; number
of votes cast; and record of election board.

XVIII. BOARD OF CANVASSERS

By an act of 1905, the legislature constituted the board of election commissioners, a board of canvassers. (1) The board elects its own chairman and the clerk of the circuit court acts as clerk of the board. (2)

The board is required to assemble at six o'clock, p. m. on election day to canvass and estimate the certificates, poll lists, and tally papers returned by the election inspectors; (3) to tabulate therefrom the votes of the county, filing the tally papers, poll books, and canvass sheets in the office of the clerk of the circuit court, open to inspection by any legal voter; (4) and to declare in a certified statement the candidates elected, (5) and deliver to them a certification of election.

The inception date of this board in White County is 1906.

All the records are located in the clerk's vault in the courthouse.

(1) Acts 1905, 1927; Burns
29-1401.

(2) Acts 1905; Burns
29-1402.

(3) Acts 1905, 1927; Burns
29-1401.

(4) Acts 1905; Burns 29-1404.

(5) Acts 1905; Burns 29-1405.

483. ELECTION RETURNS, 1906--. In Election Records, entry 481.
Record of votes cast, showing date of election; township, ward and precinct; names of candidate and office; and number of votes cast.

484. TALLY SHEET FOR DISTRICT, CIRCUIT, AND COUNTY OFFICER,
1832-33. In (Election papers), entry 479.

Election and constitutional amendment tally sheets, showing numbers of precinct and ward, name of candidate, and number of votes

for each, also votes cast for or against amendment.

485. CERTIFICATE AND MEMORANDA OF TOTAL VOTE, 1932-33.

In (Election Papers), entry 479.

Certificates of total vote cast in general and special elections, showing precinct, ward, township, and county; number of votes cast for each candidate; and signature of election clerk.

486. (AFFIDAVITS AND INDICTMENTS), 1841-1910. 1 file box.

Clerk's papers. Contains: Postmaster's Certificates of Mailing Election Results, entry 497; Affidavits for Wolf Scalps, entry 55; Indictments, entry 202. No index. $10\frac{1}{2} \times 4\frac{1}{2} \times 13$.

487. POSTMASTER'S CERTIFICATES OF MAILING ELECTION RESULTS,

1885-96. In (Affidavits and Indictments), entry 91A.

Postmaster's receipts to county clerk that certificates of election results were mailed to secretary of state, showing date, names of postmaster, clerk, and of officer for whom copies of election results were mailed; exact time of mailing; and postmaster's signature.

488. ELECTION PAPERS (Canvass Sheets), 1906-26. 2 file boxes.

1915-17, missing.

Canvass sheets of results of general and special elections, showing date of election; precinct, ward and township; name of candidate; and count of votes cast for each. No index. $10 \times 13 \times 4\frac{1}{2}$.

XIX. BOARD OF ELECTION COMMISSIONERS

By legislative enactment in 1889, the board of election commissioners was created. It consists of the clerk of the circuit court, and two persons appointed by him, one from each of the two major political parties; each of whom is nominated by the chairman of the county central committee of the two political parties respectively. The board is appointed annually. It prepares and distributes ballots for the election of county officers. (1)
The inception date of this office in White County is 1890.

The board's duties are: To print ballots; to receive petitions to place candidates' names on the ballots; and to receive certificates of nominations by convention or primary election. (2)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

(1) Acts 1889; Burns 29-1002. (2) Acts 1889, 1933; Burns
29-1003.

489. GENERAL ELECTION RECORD, 1890--. In Election Records,
entry 481.

Record of votes cast and minutes of commissioners, showing township, ward, and precinct, names of candidate and office, number of votes cast, and record of election board.

XX. BOARD OF EDUCATION

The educational system of Indiana, in its beginning, was under local administration of township and district officials and so continued more than half a century.

The county-wide supervision of the schools began in 1873, when an act of the legislature created the board of education, comprised of the county superintendent of schools, the township trustees of the county, and the school trustees of each city and town of the county. (1)

By an act of 1877, the membership of the board was changed to consist of the county superintendent of schools, the township trustees, and the chairman of school trustees of each city and town. (2)

The board meets semiannually on the first day of May and September. Its duties are to take care of the general needs of the schools, maintenance of school property, and purchase of furniture, books, maps, charts, and other supplies. (3) It also may appoint a county attendance officer upon nomination of the county superintendent, (4) and may purchase text-books from publishers and sell them to pupils at cost. (5)

The records are located in the office of the superintendent of schools in the courthouse.

(1) Acts 1873, ch. 25,
sec. 3.

(2) Acts 1873, 1877; Burns
28-801.

(3) Ibid.

(4) Acts 1921, 1932 (Sp. Sess.):
Burns 28-501.

(5) Acts 1921; Burns 28-614.

490. MINUTE BOOK OF WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION, 1878--.

4 vols. 1897-98, 1903-25, missing.

Complete proceedings and minutes of the board, showing date of meeting, business transacted, members present, decisions of board, and final action taken. Arr. chron. Hdw. 200 pp.

12 x 8 x 3/4. 3 vols., 1878-May 1, 1898, Sept. 1, 1903--, Supt. off.; 1 vol., May 2, 1898-Aug. 28, 1903, Supt. supply off.

XXI. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

In 1865 the legislature provided for a school examiner to be appointed by the county commissioners for a term of three years. (1)

This act was amended in 1873, and the school examiner's title was changed to county superintendent of schools. He was appointed by the township trustees to serve for a term of two years. (2)

In 1899 the legislature extended the term of office of the superintendent of schools to four years, and also provided that he be elected by the township trustees. The act required that he post bond with the auditor to insure faithful performance of his duties as prescribed by law. (3) The inception date of this office in White County is 1873.

The superintendent exercises general supervision of the schools outside of incorporated cities and towns of White County. He visits each township institute once each school year and conducts teachers' county institutes. He carries out the orders of the state board of education and the state superintendent of public instruction. (4) He is required to make a report as to teachers' preparation, experience, and license before being hired by the school trustees. (5) He makes out the basis of apportionment of school revenues from the enumeration of pupils. (6) He receives statements for school aid relief from school and township trustees. (7) He is ex-officio member and president of the board of education. (8)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1865, ch. 1, sec. 33. | (5) Acts 1927, 1933; Burns |
| (2) Acts 1873, ch. 25, sec. 2. | 28-4309. |
| (3) Acts 1899, 1911, 1913; | (6) Acts 1865; Burns 28-715. |
| Burns 28-702. | (7) Acts 1933; Burns 28-903. |
| (4) Acts 1899; Burns 28-704. | (8) Acts 1873, 1877; Burns 28-801. |

Activities and Reports

491. RECORD OF TEXT BOOK SALE, 1900-1916. 2 vols. Title varies; Record of Reports, School Books.

Record of sales of text books, showing date; and quantity purchased, sold, and on hand at last report; and quantity returned to publisher. Arr. chron. Hdw. 100 pp. 17 x 14 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Supt. off.

492. COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S REQUISITION FOR TEXT BOOKS, 1889-98. 2 vols.

Record of requisitions on superintendent for school books by the townships, showing names of school, superintendent, trustees, and school corporation; and quantity of books ordered, sold, and on hand. Arr. chron. Hdw. 137 pp. 11 x 10 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Supt. off.

493. COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT, 1890-91. 1 vol.

Report of superintendent of schools to Indiana School Book Commission, showing date, names of teachers and pupils, and attendance record for each quarter. Arr. chron. Hdw. 200 pp. 18 x 12 x 1. Supt. off.

494. REPORT OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, 1899-1905. 1 file box.

Report of superintendent of schools to county auditor, showing date; and quantity of text books purchased, sold, on hand, and returned. Arr. chron. 10 x 4 x 13. Aud. vt.

495. ENUMERATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN, 1916-23. In (School Reports), entry 11.

Report of superintendent of schools to State Superintendent of Public Instruction, showing date; enumeration of all minors in the school unit, and those of ages 14 to 16 years, employed and unemployed; regularity of employment; and work certificates issued.

496. DISTRIBUTION OF SCHOOL FUND REVENUE, 1899--. 1 pigeon hole.

Apportionment of school fund revenue to the several county school units, showing date of report; names of fund, account, and school unit; amounts apportioned; source of revenue; enumeration; and total amount distributed. No index. 5 x 5 x 10. Supt. off.

497. (REPORTS TO AUDITOR), 1900-1916. 1 pigeon hole.

Miscellaneous reports prepared by superintendent of schools, including Distribution of School Revenue, Report of County Commissioners, Auditor's Semi-Annual Report of School Revenue for Apportion, Auditor's Report of Special School Revenue, Names of School Trustees, Names of Superintendents and Principals, Report of Private Schools, Enumeration for School Purposes, showing date of report, names of parties to report, subject matter, amounts of receipts and disbursements, fund debited and credited, source of revenue, data, disposition and discharge of petitions, complaints, and order of business transacted. No index. 5 x 5 x 10. Supt. off.

498. TRUSTEE'S FINANCIAL AND STATISTICAL REPORTS, 1922--.

2 file boxes.

Report of the township trustee to the county superintendent of schools, showing date of report; pupil enrollment during school year; names of teacher and school; number of teachers, receipts, and expenditures; transportation expense of pupil; and financial statement. No index. 10 x 5 x 14. Supt. off.

499. HIGH SCHOOL PROGRAM, 1933-35. 1 pigeon hole.

Program of high school studies for various terms, showing name of teacher and school, subjects taught, and hours of classes. No index. 5 x 5 x 10. Supt. off.

500. OLD ANNUAL HIGH SCHOOL REPORTS, 1920-27. 1 file box.

Annual High School Reports. Contains: Reports of Instruction and Supervision, entry 501; Transfer Statements, entry 502. No index. 10 x 5 x 5. Supt. off.

501. (REPORTS OF INSTRUCTION AND SUPERVISION), 1920-27.

In Old Annual High School Reports, entry 500.

Yearly reports, showing enrollment, text books used, class room work, graduating class record, laboratory equipment lists, library volumes record, and qualification of high school teachers and school organization.

502. (TRANSFER STATEMENTS), 1927. In Old Annual High

School Reports, entry 500.

Statement of moneys due on account of transfer of children, showing date; names of child, school, and township; detailed statement

of transfer account; and per capita costs.

503. SCHOOL INSPECTION, 1922--. 1 file box and 2 pigeon holes.

School rating sheets prepared for inspection division of the State Department of Public Instruction, showing date of report, names of teaching staff, records and reports, promotion and graduation data, furnishing and equipment record, and program of studies. No index. File boxes, 10 x 5 x 14 $\frac{1}{2}$; pigeon holes, 5 x 5 x 10. Supt. off.

504. (REPORTS TO STATE SUPERINTENDENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION), 1917--. 2 file boxes, 1 pigeon hole.

Reports of supervision and administration, showing date, names of school officials, summary of accomplishments, assignments in teaching staffs, records of promotion and graduation, and inventories of school furnishings and equipment. No index. File boxes, 14 x 10 x 5; pigeon hole, 5 x 5 x 10. Supt. off.

Enumerations

505. ENUMERATION RECORD, 1910-24. 15 vols.

Lists of minors prepared for school data, showing date; names of children and parents, or loco parentis; age, color, sex, occupation, and birthplace of minor; number of and reason for absences; and district, township, and work certificate numbers. No index. Edw. 220 pp. 14 x 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ x 1/8. Attic stg. rm.

506. TRUANT OFFICER'S RECORD, 1901-4. 9 vols.

Enumeration of children over 7 and under 14 years of age, showing date; names of child and parent, or guardian; and age, birthplace, sex, and address of child. Arr. alph. by names of parents or guardians. Hdw. 100 pp. 14 x 8 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Supt. off.

507. SCHOOL ENUMERATIONS, 1924-30. 3 bundles.

Monthly reports to county superintendent of schools, showing date; names and grades of pupils; and attendance, absence, and tardiness data. No index. Condition fair. 18 x 12 x 12. Attic stg. rm.

508. REGISTRATION CARDS, 1935--. 5 file boxes.

Registration cards, showing date; names of pupils, teachers, parents, and guardians; grade and place and date of birth of pupil; vaccination record; school, and township. No index. 4 file boxes, 5 x 6 x 15; 1 file box, 8 x 11 x 2. Supt. off.

Teachers

509. TEACHERS' APPLICATIONS, 1931--. 4 file boxes.

Applications of licensed teachers for county schools, showing date; name, scholarship, experience, and personality of applicant; recommendation of superintendent; and college record. 12 x 12 x 3. 1931-33, Supt. supply rm.; 1933--, Supt. off.

510. TEACHERS' APPROVALS, 1931. 1 file box.

Trustee's request to county superintendent of schools for permission to employ teachers, showing date; and names of teacher, township, and trustees. No index. 12 x 12 x 3. Supt. off.

511. RECORD OF TEACHERS' QUALIFICATIONS, 1912--. 1 vols.

Record of teachers' qualifications, showing date; names of applicant, high and normal school, college, and university attended; number of term taught; success grades; general averages; and salary paid. Indexed alph. by names of teachers. Hdw. 598 pp. 17 x 15 x 3. Supt. off.

512. LICENSE RECORD EXAMINATION REGISTER, 1885-1923.

10 vols. Title varies: 1922-23, County License; State License; High School State.

Record of examinations for teachers' licenses, showing date, name of applicant, average made, scholarship attained, success grade, general average, and tenure granted. Arr. alph. by names of teachers. Hdw. 600 pp. 16 x 10 x 2 3/4. 7 vols., Supt. supply rm.; 3 vols. Supt. off.

513. LICENSES, QUALIFICATIONS, AND EXPERIENCE, 1931--.

3 file boxes.

Record of the licenses, qualifications, and experience of teachers, showing date, names of teacher and high school, address of teacher, date of graduation, training, and teaching experience. No index. 10 x 2 x 14 1/2. 1 file box, 1930-36, Supt. supply rm.; 2 file boxes, 1936--. Supt. off.

514. CHANGE OF LICENSES, 1923--. 1 file box.

Original and changed record cards of teachers' licenses, showing date; names of teacher, high school, and training school attended; teaching experience; serial number of certificate; credits earned; and credits and success grades made. Arr. chron. by name of teacher. 8 x 5 x 15. Supt. off.

515. RECORD OF COUNTY TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION, 1887-1927.

1 vol.

Proceedings and enrollment of county teachers' association, showing date, place of meeting, presiding officer, and program of meeting. No index. Hdw. 360 pp. 12 x 8 x 1. Supt. off.

516. SCHEDULE OF SUCCESS ITEMS, 1907-18. 5 vols.

Record of schedules of success, showing date, name of teacher and school superintendent, and teacher's qualifications. No index. Hdw. 240 pp. 9 x 13 x $1\frac{1}{4}$. 3 vols., 1909-18, Supt. off.; 2 vols., 1907-9, Supt. supply rm.

Pupils

517. BIRTH CERTIFICATES, 1921--. 2 boxes.

Birth certificates, showing date; names of child, parents, teacher, and school superintendent; and birthplace, age, and address of child. No index. 12 x 12 x 3. 1921-25, Supt. supply rm.; 1926--, Supt. off.

518. ATTENDANCE AND GRADE RECORD OF WHITE COUNTY STUDENTS, 1924--. 12 vols. 1926-28-1931; missing.

Record of attendance, and grades made, showing date; name, age, and grade of pupil; attendance; cause of absences; subject per cent; and average. No index. Hdw. 350 pp. 13 x 10 x $2\frac{1}{2}$. Supt. off.

519. RECORD OF GRADUATES, 1886-1925. 5 vols.

Record of graduates, showing date of graduation; names of pupils,

school, and teachers; grades; and averages made. No index. Hdw. 300 pp. 16 x 10 x 2. 4 vols., 1886-1922, Supt. off.; 1 vol., 1922-25, Supt. supply rm.

520. PERMANENT RECORD OF STUDENTS, 1937. 4 file boxes.

Permanent record of each student from first to eighth grade, showing date, names of pupil and parents, date of birth of pupil, intelligence tests, record of subjects, achievements, curriculum activity, and date of graduation. 8 x 6 x 18. Supt. off.

521. CASE RECORDS, 1936--. 1 file box.

Reports of attendance officer's visits, showing date, names of child and parents, family status, attitude of parents, and cause of absences. No index. 5 x 6 x 15. Supt. off.

522. (ATTENDANCE REPORT TO STATE BOARD OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION),

1936. 2 file boxes, 2 pigeon holes.

Reports of attendance of pupils in county schools, showing date of report; names of school, teaching staff, principal, parents, and pupils; entries, withdrawals, and removals; absence records; and occupational history of parents. No index. File boxes, 5 x 6 x 15; pigeon holes, 5 x 5 x 10. Supt. off.

523. AGGREGATE ATTENDANCE REPORTS, 1933--. 1 file box and

1 pigeon hole. Title varies: Monthly Attendance Records.

Teacher's monthly report of aggregate attendance, showing date, period, grades reported, number of days school in operation, and average daily attendance. No index. File box, 15 x 10 x 14½; pigeon hole, 5 x 5 x 10. Supt. off.

524. RECORD OF SENIORS, 1930--. 1 file box.

Record of grades of seniors, showing date, name of pupil, subjects, grades, periods, and credits made. No index. 10 x 12 x

15. Supt. off.

XXII. HEALTH COMMISSIONER

By an act of 1881, the board of commissioners was constituted ex officio a county board of health and was required to elect annually a secretary who was a physician, and served as the health officer for the county. (1) The duty of this board was to keep a complete record of all births, marriages, and deaths. (2)

In 1891 the legislature enlarged the duties of the board of health, whose secretary was its executive officer. (3) The term of office of the health officer was extended to four years in 1899. (4)

The county board of health was abolished by an amendatory act of 1909. At the same time the office of health commissioner was established to enforce all health laws and keep the records of vital and sanitary statistics. The health commissioner was elected by the county commissioners to serve for a four-year term. (5)

The inception date of the records of this office in White County is 1882.

By an act of 1935, effective January 1, 1938, the title of county health commissioner was changed to county health officer, who is appointed by the county commissioners with the approval of the state board of health, to serve four years. The county health officer must be legally qualified to practice medicine, suitably trained in sanitary science, and his qualifications must be satisfactory to the state board of health. He is required to enforce the health laws of the state and all rules of the state board of health. (6)

It is the duty of the health officer to enforce the health laws; to record and report vital statistics such as births, deaths, and marriages; to make sanitary inspection of all public and private buildings in regard to sources of disease; to establish quarantine and take all reasonable means to protect the public health; to close schools and churches; and to prohibit assemblies to prevent epidemics. (7)

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| (1) Rev. Stat. 1881, sec. 4993. | (5) Acts 1891, 1909; Burns 35-108. |
| (2) Rev. Stat. 1881, sec. 4997. | (6) Acts 1935; Burns, 1936 suppl., 35-118. |
| (3) Acts 1891, ch. 15, secs. 8-9. | (7) Acts 1891, 1909; Burns 35-111. |
| (4) Acts 1899, ch. 16, sec. 2. | |

Vital Statistics

525. PROCEEDINGS WHITE COUNTY BOARD OF HEALTH, 1882-1910.

3 vols. 1888-98, missing.

Record of proceedings of the county board of health, showing date, names of members present, nature of meeting, action taken, and adjournment. Arr. chron. Hdw. 100 pp. 10 x 7½ x 3/8.

1882-88, attic rm.; 1898-1907, Assr. off.; 1910, Clk. vt.

526. RECORD OF RETURN OF BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DISEASES

DANGEROUS TO PUBLIC HEALTH, AND DEATHS, 1896-1920.

2 vols. Title varies: Record of Births, Deaths, and Contagious Diseases.

Vital statistics for births, marriages, deaths, and contagious

diseases. Contains: Record of Births, entry 527; Record of Marriages, entry 528; Record of Contagious and Infectious Diseases, entry 529; and Record of Deaths, entry 530. Indexed alph. by names of children, brides and grooms, deceased, and patients. Hdw. 450 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. Clk. vt.

527. RECORD OF BIRTHS, 1889--. 10 vols., and in Record of Returns of Births, Marriages, Diseases Dangerous to Public Health, and Deaths, entry 526.

Record of births, showing date and place of birth; name and sex of child; and names, address, and occupation of parents. Indexed alph. by names of children. Hdw. 250 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. 2 vols., 1889-1902, C.C., Clk. vt.; 8 vols., 1902--, J. C. Carney off., Monticello, Indiana.

528. RECORD OF MARRIAGES, 1882--. 5 vols. and in Record of Returns of Births, Marriages, Diseases Dangerous to Public Health, and Deaths, entry 526.

Record of marriages, showing place and date of marriage; names, ages, and color of bride and groom; names and nationality of parents; and name of party performing rites. Indexed by names of brides and grooms. Hdw. 296 pp. 18 x 12 x 2. 3 vols., 1892-1904, C.C., Wfr. off.; 2 vols., 1930--, C.C., Clk. vt.

For other marriage records, see entries 92-95.

529. RECORD OF CONTAGIOUS AND INFECTIOUS DISEASES, 1882--. 4 vols., and in Record of Returns of Births, Marriages, Diseases Dangerous to Public Health, and Deaths, entry 526. Title varies: Record of Contagious Diseases Dangerous to Public Health.

Record of contagious diseases, showing date of return; names of patient and reporter; address, age, sex, and color of patient; and number of days in quarantine. Indexed alph. by names of patients. Hdw. 223 pp. 17 x 11 x 1. 3 vols., 1882-1914, C.C., Clk. vt.; 1 vol., Sept. 9, 1914-- , J. C. Carney's residence, Monticello, Indiana.

530. RECORD OF DEATHS, 1882-- . 7 vols., and in Record of Returns of Births, Marriages, Diseases Dangerous to Public Health, and Deaths, entry 526. Title varies: Record of Return of Death.

Record of deaths in the county, showing date of death; names of deceased, wife, parents, physician, and mortician; age, race, color, and address of deceased; nature and cause of death; address of physician; and return made. Indexed alph. by names of deceased. Hdw. 220 pp. 18 x 12 x 1 $\frac{1}{2}$. 3 vols., 1882-1902, C.C., Clk. vt.; 4 vols., 1903-- , J. C. Carney's office, Monticello, Indiana.

XXIII. DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE

The department of public welfare of White County, created by the legislature in 1936, is administered by a board of public welfare. The department may sue and be sued in its own name. (1)

The board of public welfare consists of five persons having a recognized interest in and knowledge of the problems of public welfare, who must be residents of the county for two years. Its members are appointed by the judge of the circuit court; at least two members must be women and not more than three may be adherents of any one political party. The first appointees serve: One for one year, two for two years, and two for four years; and thereafter the term is four years. The board holds a regular meeting once a month, the August meeting to be known as the annual meeting, and it may hold other meetings pursuant to call. (2) Its duties are to elect the director of public welfare who serves as secretary of the board and the executive and administrative officer of the department, (3) to receive and administer gifts and bequests of personal property and of income from real estate for the benefit of children under its supervision or of any home or institution caring for neglected or dependent children under its supervision, to invest any funds so received by it, such investments being kept in a special fund and not commingled with funds received from taxation; (4) and to adopt an annual budget for the department for consideration by the county council. (5)

The director of public welfare must give bond not to exceed five thousand dollars, to be approved by the judge of the circuit

court and filed in the office of the clerk. (6) He appoints with the approval of the board, all assistants in the department from eligible lists established by the state department, and fixes their salary. (7) As executive officer of the department, he exercises all the rights, powers, and duties conferred by law on the department under the rules, regulations, and orders of the state and county boards, (8) and compiles an annual budget for submission to the board. (9) The director of public welfare and his assistants perform the function of probation officer or agent of the court in welfare matters under the supervision of any court having jurisdiction therein as the court may direct. (10)

The department of public welfare is charged with the administration of assistance to dependent children in their own homes, old age assistance, services and assistance to persons otherwise handicapped, the care and treatment of dependent, neglected, and handicapped children, children in danger of becoming delinquent, and such other welfare activities as are delegated to it by the state department including services connected with assistance to the blind. The department makes reports to the state department as directed by the latter. (11) The department also administers provisions and benefits of the Federal "Social Security Act" of August 14, 1935, as authorized thereby. (12)

The board of children's guardians and the board of county charities and corrections were abolished by an amendment of 1937, and all their rights, powers, and duties were transferred to the

department of public welfare. (13)

The department is maintained by the county welfare fund raised by a separate tax levy, (14) to which is added such payments as may be made under legal compulsion by recipients, their parents, children, or other persons liable for their support. (15) The county receives reimbursement of certain proportions of its expenditures from the state, (16) and a part of any Federal funds received by the state. (17)

The auditor keeps the records relating to the county welfare fund and their other financial transactions. (18) The department keeps such records and accounts relating to assistance as the state department describes. (19) All records, except applications for assistance, awards, and modification and revocation of awards, are confidential. (20)

All the records are located in the welfare office in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.); Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1117, 52-1122. | (12) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.; Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1113. |
| (2) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.) 1937; Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1118. | (13) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.), 1937; Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1121. |
| (3) Ibid.; 52-1119. | (14) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.); Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1301. |
| (4) Acts 1936 Spc. Sess.); Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1122. | (15) Ibid., 52-1263. |
| (5) Ibid., 52-1302. | (16) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.), 1937; Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1124-A. |
| (6) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.), 1937; Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1119. | (17) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.); Burns, 1937 suppl., 52-1219, 52-1249, 52-1254. |
| (7) Ibid., 52-1123. | (18) Ibid., 52-1401. |
| (8) Ibid., 52-1126. | (19) Ibid., 52-1260. |
| (9) Acts 1936 (Spc. Sess.); Burns 1937 suppl., 52-1302. | (20) Ibid., 52-1262. |
| (10) Ibid., 52-1120. | |
| (11) Ibid. | |

531. MINUTE BOOK, 1936--. 1 vol.

Minutes of the board, showing date, names of members present, place and time of meeting, motions, recommendations, and proceedings and final action taken. No index. Typed. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x 3.

532. (REGISTER OF APPLICATIONS FOR ASSISTANCE), 1936--.

1 vol.

Record of assistance to the aged, dependent children, and blind; showing date; names of those granted assistance, parents or guardian, and visitor; award certificate; application number; and recommendation of board. No index. Typed. 60 pp. 14 x 8 x $\frac{1}{2}$.

533. OLD AGE PENSION RECORD, 1933-35. 1 vol.

Record of applications, showing date; names of applicants, relatives, and dependents; birthplace, address, property value, income, and recommendation of board. Arr. alph. by names of applicants. Typed. 640 pp. 18 x 12 x $3\frac{1}{2}$.

For other old age pension records, see entry 50.

534. (ASSISTANCE TO AGED, BLIND, AND DEPENDENT CHILDREN),
1936--. 3 file boxes.

Record of applications for assistance, showing date; names of applicant, parents, investigator, and township trustees; amount of assistance granted; and record of dependency. No index. Typed. 16 x 10 x 24.

534 A. RECORD OF ASSISTANCE GIVEN AGED PERSONS, 1936--.

2 file drawers.

Record of assistance given aged persons and dependent children,

showing date of application; applicant's name, age and address; monthly award; certificate number; revocation or cancelation; and total expense involved. No index. Typed and Hdw. 200 pp. 14 x 8 x 1. Wfr. off.

535. (RECOMMENDATIONS OF COUNTY DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND ACTION ON REJECTION, AWARDS, AND REVOCATIONS),

1936--. 1 vol.

Record of action taken by the board, showing date of order; name of applicant; numbers of application, code, page reference and certificate; and action taken on application. No index. Typed. 50 pp. 14 x 12 x $\frac{1}{2}$.

536. REGISTER OF CLAIMS FILED, APPROVED, AND WARRANTS ISSUED,

1936--. 1 vol. .

Record of all claims filed and approved, and warrants issued, showing date, names of applicants and payee, certificate number, and amount. No index. Typed. 25 pp. 14 x 12 x $\frac{1}{2}$.

537. (CERTIFICATION OF COUNTY CLAIM REGISTER TO STATE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE), 1936--. 1 vol.

Certifications to state department, showing date; names of county, director, and auditor; register page; and amount. Arr. chron. Typed. 12 pp. 12 x 8 x $\frac{1}{2}$.

XXIV. SURVEYOR

The surveyor is a constitutional officer, elected for a term of two years without restriction on reelection. (1) He must give bond in a sum fixed by the board of county commissioners. (2) Prior to the Constitution of 1851 the surveyor was a statutory officer, being appointed by the Governor by an act of 1818 (3) and by the board of commissioners by an act of 1831. (4) The inception date of this office in White County is 1834, the organization date of the county.

The surveyor has charge, under direction of the board of commissioners, of all surveying and civil engineering work of the county, including the preparation of plans and specifications for, and supervision of, the construction of all bridges, turnpikes, roads, ditches, drains, and levees. (5) He also has charge of the repair and maintenance of county highways, (6) unless the county commissioners employ a highway supervisor. The county commissioners may employ the surveyor to serve as highway supervisor. (7)

For private parties he takes acknowledgments of mortgages and deeds for the conveyance of real estate, (8) and, upon request, establishes lines and corners of lands. (9)

All the records are located in the attic storage room in the courthouse.

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- (1) Const., art. 6, sec. 2;
1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Burns
49-3301.
 - (2) Acts 1913; Burns 49-3302.
 - (3) Acts 1817-18, ch. 30. sec. 1.
 - (4) Acts 1831, ch. 102, sec. 1.
 - (5) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts
1911; Burns 49-3309.

- (6) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1101,
36-1102.
- (7) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1110.
- (8) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts
1857; Burns 49-3317.
- (9) 1 Rev. Stat. 1852; Acts
1875; Burns 49-3311.

Surveys and Reports

538. SURVEYOR'S DITCH RECORD, 1885-94. 1 vol.

Record of assessments for repairs to ditches, showing dates assessed and notified, names of ditch and property owner, benefits, amount assessed, description and location of lands assessed, and acreage. Indexed alph. by names of ditches. Hdw. Condition fair. 444 pp. 18 x 12 x $2\frac{1}{4}$. Attic stg. rm.

539. ORDERS ISSUED FOR REPAIRS OF DITCHES, 1888-89. 1 vol.

Record of allotments issued by surveyor to owners for repairs to be performed by them on open ditches, showing date of order, name of owner, order number, description of work performed, and cost. Indexed alph. by names of ditches. Hdw. Condition fair. 300 pp. 15 x 10 x $1\frac{1}{2}$. Attic stg. rm.

540. TOWNSHIP TRUSTEE'S DRAINAGE RECORD, 1890-97. 1 vol.

Record of allotments made by surveyor for cleaning and repairing ditches, showing names of owner and ditch, description, location, length, allotment in feet, repairs to be made, and original specifications. No index. Hdw. 140 pp. 18 x 11 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Attic. stg. rm.

XXV. HIGHWAY SUPERVISOR

The administrative system of building and maintaining county highways has undergone several changes, since this improvement has become an increasingly important part of civic life.

In 1879 the legislature constituted the board of commissioners a board of turnpike directors for the management and control of county highways. (1)

By an act of 1913, this board was abolished, and the highways were placed in charge of a superintendent of highways, who was appointed by the county commissioners. (2)

This office was abolished by the legislature in 1933 (3) and the duties of the superintendent of highways were transferred to the surveyor; (4) unless the board of commissioners should appoint a highway supervisor to perform the duties heretofore performed by the superintendent of highways. The highway supervisor serves at the will of the commissioners. The board of commissioners may appoint the duly elected surveyor or a person other than the surveyor to be highway supervisor. (5)

The board of commissioners of White County has appointed the surveyor to serve as highway supervisor.

The highway supervisor has general charge of the repair and maintenance of county highways, bridges, and culverts; has police power in the control of the highways of the county; and may fix the limit of loads for any highway, bridge, or culvert. (6) He investigates and determines the method of maintenance best adapted to the various highways of the county under his

supervision, establishes standards for the maintenance of highways, bridges, and culverts, and makes an annual budget estimate of the cost of repair and maintenance of highways, bridges, and culverts, which must be filed in the auditor's office for the use of the board of commissioners. (7) He is required to meet with the board of commissioners and confer with them on matters pertaining to his duties (8) and also must attend all sessions of the annual road school at Purdue University. (9)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1879, ch. 115,
sec. 1. | (6) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1101,
36-1102, 36-1110. |
| (2) Acts 1913, ch. 330,
sec. 1. | (7) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1103,
36-1110. |
| (3) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1113. | (8) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1104,
36-1110. |
| (4) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1101. | (9) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1110. |
| (4) Acts 1933; Burns 36-1110. | |

541. (RECEIPT BOOKS FOR EXPENSES), 1925--. 14 file
boxes.

Original receipts for labor and material, showing receipt number; date; names of payee, claimant, and vendor; amount; and nature of service performed. Arr. chron. Hdw. 13 x 10 x 4. Aud. vt.

542. SUPERVISOR'S REPORTS, GRAVEL ROADS, 1899-1901. 1 vol. Record of supervisor's reports on construction of and repairs to gravel roads, showing date, names of road and township, district number, amount of material and labor used, and certificate issued in payment. Arr. chron. Hdw. Condition fair. 480 pp. 16 x 11 x 1 3/4. Aud. vt.

543. HIGHWAY SUP(ERINTENDEN)T'S ESTIMATES AND ALLOWANCES,
1929. 1 vol.

Record of highway supervisor's estimates for expenses and allowances, showing date; amounts of labor, equipment, and supplies to be used; itemized list of costs; and location of work to be done. Arr. numerically. Hdw. Condition fair. 100 pp. 14 x 9 x $\frac{1}{2}$. Assr. off.

544. LEDGER OF EXPENDITURES FOR FREE GRAVEL ROAD REPAIRS,
1914-1922. 1 vol.

Record of highway superintendent's expenditures for gravel roads, showing date, names of workers and vendors, numbers of district and warrant, location of work performed, amounts of labor and material used, and total cost. No index. Hdw. 600 pp. 17 x 15 x 2 $\frac{3}{4}$. Aud. vt.

XXVI. AGRICULTURAL AGENT

The office of agricultural agent was created by the legislature in 1913. This act provided for appointment of a county (agricultural) agent upon petition to the county board of education by the residents of the county. The appointment was made annually--reappointment might be for a term of two-years--by Purdue University, subject to the approval of both the state and the county board of education, and the agent's salary was paid in part by the state. (1) The inception date of this office in White County is 1913.

By legislative enactment in 1933 the office of agricultural agent was created for every Indiana county. The agricultural agent is appointed by the director of agricultural extension service of Purdue University, subject to the approval of a state board, entitled county agricultural agent board. The qualifications of the agricultural agent are prescribed by the board. (2)

The county council is required to appropriate not less than one thousand dollars annually to be used in paying office help, expenses of the agent, mileage, rent, or other incidentals. The salary of the agricultural agent is paid by the state through Purdue University. (3)

The duties of the agricultural agent, under the supervision of Purdue University, are: To cooperate with farmers' institutes, farmers' clubs, and other rural and civic organizations; to conduct practical farm demonstrations, boys' and girls' clubs and

contest work, and other movements for the advancement of agricultural and country life; to give advice to farmers on practical farm problems; and to aid the superintendent of schools and the teachers of the county in giving practical education in agriculture and domestic science. (4)

All the records are located in the courthouse.

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| (1) Acts 1913, 1923, 1927; Burns
28-4911. | (3) Ibid. |
| (2) Acts 1937; Burns, 1937
suppl., 28-4911. | (4) Ibid. |

545. PERMANENT RECORDS, 1926--. 3 file boxes.

Data and reports concerning administration of county agent, showing record of performances, accomplishment, and progress made in the various programs in agriculture. Arr. chron. Hdw. 26 x 14 x 11.

546. 4-H CLUB WORK, 1936--. 1 file box.

Record of 4-H Club work, showing meetings, camps, demonstrations, recreations, and results accomplished. Arr. chron. Hdw. 26 x 14 x 11.

Maps

547. DRAINAGE MAP OF WHITE COUNTY, 1930. 1 map.

Physical map, showing drainage system, number of miles of tile ditches and open ditches, streams, lakes, townships, and watersheds. Drawn by Sikko Swartz. Published at Monticello, Ind., by Sikko Swartz. Blueprint. Scale: 1" to 1 mi. 32 x 32.



